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Neighbors of proposed motocross track worry about noise, traffic and impact on property values

By ALISON ALOISIO

A motocross track in Woodstock would cause noise and traffic problems for both the Cushman and Perkins Valley roads, a group of worried residents told selectmen Tuesday.

Bruce Korhonen, who participates in motocross dirt bike racing himself, is planning a track loop on wooded property he purchased off the Cushman Road. The site is on the south slope of Spruce Mountain. The track, which would follow the existing terrain, would be roughly a mile long and 20 feet wide.

Korhonen attended Tuesday's meeting of the Board of Selectmen to answer questions from about a dozen Cushman Road residents.

The town's Planning Board does not have any authority to approve or reject the track, because there are no ordinances addressing it. Selectmen said they believe the only agency with any power is the Department of Environmental Protection, which reviews it strictly for a watershed drainage plan. That has been approved.

Korhonen said he would hold six one-day events over a season that would run from May through Sep-

tember. He estimated that up to a thousand people could attend, most of them riders and people helping them.

That would translate to around 300 vehicles over the course of a day. Korhonen said the vehicle traffic would be spread out, because a day's events would be "a bunch of little races." He said there are 12 to 14 competitive classes, with people coming and going for each.

But that provided little reassurance to Louise Kangas. "Three hundred vehicles in a whole day is a lot on that road," she said.

Richard Felt agreed. "A thousand people is ridiculous," he said.

Kangas was also concerned about property values. "Our property isn't going to be worth anything," she said.

Selectman Mike Nadeau worried that RVs traveling to the site would further break up the pavement on the Cushman Road.

Others wondered if their children would be in danger from the traffic. "Racing, alcohol and parties go together," said Chris Manjourides. "People will be making beer runs

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ASC announces more losses

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The Newry-based American Skiing Company on Monday posted a \$43.5 million net loss for the second quarter, saying cost-cutting efforts were offset by a late start to the ski season and weakness in the Utah market resulting from the Winter Olympics.

The loss for the three months ended Jan. 27 was \$1.37 per share and compares with a net loss of \$10.4 million, or 34 cents per share, during the same period last year.

The second quarter includes the critical Christmas holiday and the largest share of the winter season in which the company would be most likely to turn a profit.

Last quarter's loss included a \$25.5 million charge linked to the

pending sale of the debt-laden company's Steamboat resort in Colorado, which is expected to close within a month.

Revenues for the quarter totaled \$121.2 million, down from \$156.3 million in the previous year's second quarter.

The company cited progress in its restructuring program and said resort managers were successful in promoting skier visits and implementing cost controls following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

"Nationwide call volume and reservation activity continued to improve since the start of the season. However, a lack of snowfall and warm temperatures in the East have hampered a return to last

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Ski-A-Thon raises spirits as well as money



Maine Handicapped Skiing, the state's largest adaptive recreational program for adults and children with physical disabilities, raised \$246,000 at its 17th annual Ski-a-Thon Saturday. More than 800 skiers, riders, and volunteers took part. (Story, P. 9.)

Town Meetings

Upton meeting is congenial and over quickly

By MICHAEL DANIELS

With nary a dissenting vote, Upton residents last week passed all 30 articles on this year's annual Town Meeting warrant.

It was a rare display of unanimity in a town where debate at such meetings has in the past been occasionally heated.

"This has to be a first, at least in

the 27 years that I have been a selectman," said Board Chairman Richard LeComte. "It was a very quiet and comfortable Town Meeting. Only as it should be."

LeComte was unanimously re-elected, as was incumbent clerk, tax collector and treasurer Walter Stanczyk. Marie Aron and Jennifer Casey were elected to the School

Committee.

Approximately 40 residents turned out for the meeting, nearly filling the Upton Hill Schoolhouse. They moved quickly through the warrant, approving an overall budget of \$104,932.

The figure is up approximately \$2,000 from the current year's budget total, LeComte said, and is

likely to require an increase of approximately 50 cents in the town's mill rate, currently \$10.80. The exact amount of the adjustment will be determined by how much new assessment the town picks up this year, he said.

LeComte noted that the money

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Andover voters shoot down Town Office items

By ALISON ALOISIO

No insurance benefits for selectmen, no executive secretary, and no computer software for motor vehicle registrations. At least not for this year, after Andover residents voted them down at Saturday's annual Town Meeting.

The issues were among many debated by about 65 voters, in a

meeting that lasted five and one-half hours.

Paying health insurance benefits was presented as an incentive to get people to run for selectman. Andover has had two selectmen resign in mid-term in the past year, and few people have shown interest in the job in recent years.

But townspeople were skeptical

of the plan. "It's a very expensive enticement, and one we can guarantee will increase by leaps and bounds," said Kelly Scotti.

The cost to cover three selectmen would be \$14,500. Others wondered if it made more sense to simply pay a larger stipend. The article was defeated, and was immediately followed by another addressing the

annual stipends of elected officials.

David Belanger, who also serves as the town's treasurer, made a motion to amend the \$7,060 that is divided among the three selectmen. He instead proposed a \$5,000 stipend for the senior selectman and \$4,000 each for the other two.

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Comp plan committee proposed in Woodstock

By ALISON ALOISIO

Money to develop a comprehensive plan and a proposal to change the hours at the Town Office top the agenda for the March 25 Woodstock Town Meeting.

Voters will be asked whether to contribute \$4,978 toward creating a plan. If they do, the Maine State

Planning Office will contribute \$15,000 in grant funds.

The impetus for the plan came from a committee formed last year to study sewer issues in Bryant Pond Village. (See sidebar, page 2.)

Maxfield said there are several people interested in serving on a comprehensive planning commit-

tee, and they are preparing a power point presentation on the topic for the Town Meeting.

Selectmen are also proposing to change Town Office hours on the first and third Tuesday of the month to 12 noon to 8 p.m., to better accommodate working people's schedules. The hours would coin-

cide with selectmen's meetings, which take place at 5 p.m. on those same Tuesdays.

If approved, the change would be on a six-month trial basis. Selectmen would then decide whether to continue the schedule.

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Dealing with last winter's roads was costly in Gilead
By ALISON ALOISIO
Last year's severe winter — now a distant memory — is still having an effect in Gilead.
At Saturday's annual Town Meeting, voters will be asked to raise more money than usual for the Public Ways and Bridges Account, and transfer other funds to the account from the Paving Account. The money is needed to cover an overdraft created by extra road maintenance required last winter.
Selectmen are proposing to apply about \$15,000 from the Paving Account to the overdraft. In addition, said administrative assistant Beverly Coriveau, some money from this year's PWB account will also be needed to cover the deficit. Selectmen are requesting a total of \$50,000 for Public Ways and Bridges.
Other account requests on the 42-
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Letters

GODSPEED, DEAR MAN

To the Editor:

When seeing Duane Winslow standing across from the Java House, one might have thought he wanted to utilize the crosswalk. But no, he was usually just standing — waiting — trusting someone would be coming along and be kind enough to give him a lift. I'm thankful to say that Tuesday morning, March 6, that "someone" was me, and although it was I who was providing the transportation, as usual it was he who gave me a lift — a lift of spirit. His unjaded aura in interacting with me was always welcomed and refreshing. He talked about seeing me on TV, taping it and playing it for one of his friends and then he starting singing "He Taught Me to Yodel." He was smiling and it was great.

Since I like to learn new things, I'm also happy to say he taught me some trivia that day, too. Did anyone realize that Route 35 began right here in Bethel? Right there on the corner of Main and Vernon streets? I didn't. I believe he was correct. It looks to me as though it begins right there — or ends there. I suppose that's a matter of perspective. All I know is that the other end is in Kennebunkport. At the time he wasn't sure exactly where it ended and we wondered if it went out of the state of Maine. He thought he'd look it up when he went home.

I remember another time when he waited outside the door at the grocery store in an attempt to scare me. Evidently he had seen me at the checkout and saw an opportunity to try and play a little joke. Luckily, I had also noticed him beforehand, otherwise I no doubt would have been quite startled indeed. "Boo!" he said when I came out, and we enjoyed a good laugh. In actuality, besides wanting to have a little fun, his main intention in waiting there was to thank me for some something.

I hope to always remember him — his fondness of dogs — his sincerity in asking about my family. I will miss seeing him, hearing him say, "Hi Jewel," in only a way he could say it. I will miss the fact that he liked my music. I trust his spirit will be at peace, that he has reconnected with his old friend, Jimmy, and that he can now hear some fine yodeling from the "real deal" who taught me to yodel. Godspeed, dear man.

Jewel Clark
Bethel

THE RIVER AS MEAL TICKET

To the Editor:

The Mahoosuc Land Trust is continuing its Local Knowledge series of programs by local experts on topics of local interest with a presentation by Paul McGuire entitled "The Androscoggin River Valley: A Historical Sketch" on Wednesday, March 27, 7 p.m. upstairs at Gould Academy's Ordway Hall. The focus of the presentation is to trace the evolution of economic activity in the river valley or, in other words, to tell the story of the "river as meal ticket." Slides will accompany the talk.

Paul McGuire was born in Waterville and educated in the public schools of Maine. He earned his B.A. and M.A. degrees in history from the University of Maine. McGuire taught history and chaired the history departments at Fryeburg Academy and Gould Academy, retiring in 2001 after 40 years in the classroom.

This presentation, and all Local Knowledge programs, are open to the public and free of charge. Interested people are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Nancy Stowell White and Jan Stowell
Mahoosuc Land Trust

SKI FOR JA DAY CANCELED

To the Editor:

It is with regret that Ski for JA Day on March 24 at Mt. Abram Ski Resort has been canceled. Mother Nature has not been very cooperative these past few weeks. I do want to express our deep appreciation to the following businesses for their gracious donations of goods and services to support Junior Achievement (JA) Programs in SAD44. Thanks to Josh and Susan Burns of Mt. Abram, Key Bank, Chadbourne Tree Farms, Finish Line Pizza, Balsam Fir Products, Bethel Inn and Country Club, Liams Restaurant, Cassablanca Theater, Sun Valley Sports, Chapman Inn, Rivendale House, Sudbury Inn, Good Food Store and others whom I forgot to mention. Staff following our Advisory Council meeting scheduled for Thursday March 21 at CPS will contact those businesses whose gifts are on hand. We are seeking individuals to promote this program. Please join us on Thursday or call Eileen Miesner at 824-4381 or me at 824-3768 or 381-0033.

We are currently seeking classroom volunteers for the spring session in grades two and six. Scheduling issues for middle school programs grades six and seven are being worked out. Thank you all for Teaching Kids How Business Works. www.jamaine.org.

Robin R. Mills
Chairman

WINTER CARNIVAL THANKS

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Crescent Park PTA and student body, we would like to thank the CPS student council, school administration, teachers, volunteers and the many local businesses that graciously donated auction items, money and time, for the Winter Carnival.

All the proceeds from the Winter Carnival are being used toward this week's theatre performance, "The Sword Called Excalibur," brought to our community by the Children's Stage Adventures, Inc.

The performances will be held on Saturday, March 23, at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. at Crescent Park School. Tickets may be purchased at the door or reserved seating tickets may be purchased at Crescent Park School Wednesday through Friday from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Advanced tickets are now on sale at the following locations: The Big Apple on Railroad Street, Western Maine Supply, Dave's Store, Mills Market, Breaux's Too and The Village Store until Friday, March 22.

We would like to extend a very special thank you to Stacy Rossow for all of her behind-the-scenes effort and running she has done for us.

Kelly Myers and Kathy Dunican
CPS PTA Co-presidents

RECOGNIZING EMERGENCY SERVICE PERSONNEL

To the Editor:

I received this from Jim Young, and thought it appropriate to share with the community on behalf of all our emergency response personnel; it was written by Father John P. Halpin, and is entitled, "A Prayer for Firefighters & EMS Personnel."

"On September 11, 2001, we saw wonderful acts of dedication, bravery, and willingness to sacrifice oneself for another. Those acts of dedication and bravery became very apparent to the world around us. Yet, for many years before and for many years to come, these same acts of bravery and dedication have been and will continue to be done as our firefighters and EMS personnel answer their daily calls.

"Help each of us, Heavenly Father, to be ever mindful of the dedication, the bravery, the devotion to duty of all our volunteer firefighters and EMS personnel, as well as those paid firefighters, EMS personnel and police. "Heavenly Father, as we are mindful of this wonderful volunteerism, let us always keep them in our prayers and in our hearts. Far too often, we take these firefighters and EMS personnel for granted. These men and women, every time they answer a call, put their lives on the line for us.

"Heavenly Father, our prayer for them is that You may grant them protection from harm as they answer their calls. Heavenly Father, our prayer for them is that You will bless their dedication and willingness to help others. Heavenly Father, our prayer for them is that You will give them the grace to continue their wholehearted dedication to serve others. At all hours of the day and night, in freezing cold or sweltering heat, these men and women will take themselves from the warmth and comfort of their homes and families because someone else is in need. Not only do we ask Your divine blessings and protection for these men and women, but also we ask You to bless their families whose lives are interrupted day and night. They too serve who are left at home."

"Oh, Heavenly Father, extend Your hand of protection to all who give of themselves to help others. Protect them from the fiery flames, protect them from accidents, protect them from disease. Give them, Heavenly Father, the reward of the compassionate. Give them peace and happiness at home. Give them joy in the family and work. Give them health and prosperity.

"We ask for all, Heavenly Father, through Your Divine Providence. Amen."

"Our local emergency personnel may not serve in the Boston's and New York City's of the world, with high demand 24-7, nor be recognized by a grateful nation, but they are there when we need them — right where we are, giving of their best efforts. As part of the "crew," and as one who will be glad that they're there when I need them, I add my "Amen."

Rick Mowery
Bethel

Proponents argue comprehensive plans can help towns to navigate

By RACHEL ECKER-POLAK

A comprehensive plan gives a town direction for the future and control over development.

A committee studying sewage disposal in Bryant Pond Village concluded that it needed a plan before it could make specific recommendations. There are homes, as well as buildings intended for commercial use, that have no septic system, according to the committee.

Nancy Willard, a committee member, said that means the buildings can only be used for storage, which could negatively affect the economy of the town. She said that she hopes a comprehensive plan will "bring the village into the 21st century."

The plan would not only have economical benefits, but environmental ones as well, she said. Several brooks run much too close to the current sewage system, said Willard.

Woodstock citizens have already volunteered for the committee work, if the townspeople give their approval. They would collect information with help from the Androscoggin Valley Council of Governments.

Greenwood is currently developing its own plan. Al Hamilton,

chairman of the planning committee, said it will help preserve Greenwood's current character.

Like Woodstock, Greenwood is also trying to find ways to guide development. "The plan does not intend to restrict business, it's to encourage business," said Hamilton.

"The plan must be for the majority of the townspeople," he said. He said residents as well as business owners are encouraged to give input.

Greenwood is currently doing a survey to gather information to use in crafting the plan. The survey will provide a thorough understanding of the community, including its people, infrastructure, services and natural features.

Elements considered in the analysis relate to the population, economy, housing, transportation, natural resources, historic, cultural, and archaeological resources, land use and development patterns, outdoor recreation, public facilities, and fiscal capability.

If Woodstock goes forward with a plan, its committee would also conduct a survey.

On Tuesday, volunteers who would serve on the committee gathered to discuss the process and

prepare a presentation for next week's Town Meeting.

As in Greenwood, a survey would pinpoint what residents like now about Woodstock, what they want to keep, and if they want more economic growth.

"The town of Woodstock needs a comprehensive plan so that it is in control of its own future, not by the state or outside groups," said volunteer Jim Chandler. He also emphasized that it would be the people's plan.

"It is a planning process for the whole town, and its intent is to have as many people as possible involved," he said.

The planning committee would be made up of about 12 residents, but would provide for constant input from the rest of the town.

One of the benefits of a plan includes being able to tap grants that would possibly help fund special municipal projects.

Maine requires all towns to have a comprehensive plan by 2003. In Oxford County, Peru and Woodstock are the only two towns without one.

(Rachel Ecker-Polak, a senior at Telstar High School, job-shadowed with the Bethel Citizen this week as part of the THS Career Exploration Week program.)

Motocross

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through Perkins Valley, and there are kids down there."

Korhonen said alcohol is prohibited at the events, but Manjourides was skeptical about his ability to control drinking in the RVs, which will be allowed to park overnight on the site.

Korhonen said there would be two security officers at each event, and, if needed, he would hire extra sheriff's deputies to patrol the roads.

As for noise, Korhonen likened the sound of one motocross bike to a chain saw. He said up to 40 bikes at a time might be competing in a race.

That concerned Marcel Polak, who lives on the other side of Spruce Mountain, on the Cushman Hill Road. "The sound is going to bounce," he said, possibly reverberating down Perkins Valley as well.

Korhonen said he plans a 100-foot buffer of trees along the road, and will also transplant trees he removes for the track to the buffer. "I'll try to make it as thick as possible," he said.

Korhonen said the noise of the bikes is not loud enough to prevent nearby spectators from conversing with each other. He also said riders camping overnight would be required to shut off their generators and quiet down after 10 p.m.

Polak wondered if Korhonen might increase the number of competitions per season in the future to the point where there would be one every weekend. Korhonen said he would not, because his events would be part of a racing organization circuit that goes to different tracks each weekend.

He said there are about a half dozen motocross tracks in Maine, with others in Bangor, Skowhegan and Dresden, and another planned for Minot.

Selectmen will do research

Polak suggested selectmen find out if there are any laws that might give them, or anyone, some ability to regulate the track plan. He said he believed the Maine Department of Transportation may have authority in situations where 100 or more

cars gather in one place in one time period. Felt also advocated researching Maine's nuisance law.

The selectmen said they would look into both possibilities.

Selectman Steve Bies said DEP would have more control if the project were larger. But because it is less than 20 acres, and only has a direct "ground impact" on about three acres, the agency can do nothing more.

Korhonen plans to build a concession stand, which would come under the review of the Planning Board. Porta Potties would be used for bathroom facilities.

Polak said he hoped Korhonen would continue to voluntarily do everything he could to mitigate the impact on the neighbors.

Kangas said later that despite Korhonen's explanations she remains concerned about the track. "Forty chainsaws running is a lot," she said. And the traffic, even if it is intermittent during the day, could still pose a threat to children and pets in the area, said Kangas.

Our Back Pages

Compiled by JOHN BROWN

10 years ago: Gilead voters elected Arthur "Joe" Taylor as a member of the board of selectmen. The voters turned down funds requested for the Androscoggin Valley Council of Governments and the Maine Publicity Bureau.

Wilderness Medical Associates of Bryant Pond was featured on WCBB-10's "Made in Maine" series.

Betty Jordan replaced retiring Richard LeComte as a selectman in Upton.

Bethel Furniture Stock was listed as one of the 100 top growth wood products firms in the U.S. and Canada by the international magazine Wood and Wood Products.

Evelyn Keyes, granddaughter of Susan Farrar of Bethel, was named to the dean's list in the School of Engineering at Villanova University, Pennsylvania.

Ann Banfield of Locke Mills, cooking for Sharpshooter Photography, was the winner in the Eat the Heat Chili Cook-Off at the Sunday River Ski Resort.

Deaths: Lisa Bean Thurston, Margaret H. Oakes, Fannie I. Baker.

20 years ago: Telstar Drama Club was "excitedly working" on three one-act plays to be presented in early April.

Keith Clanton, a seventh-grader at the Telstar Middle School, was the winner of the SAD44 Spelling Bee.

Rick James of Bethel was a key member of the Plymouth (N.H.) State College ski team.

Birth: Alana Dawn Kennagh. Deaths: Dr. Theodore G. Cummings, Dr. Arthur R. Stone.

30 years ago: A bobcat hunter, Harley Stevens of South Paris, found a small airplane missing since September of 1971 on the south flank of Spruce Mountain in Woodstock. State and federal officials removed four bodies from the aircraft, which had taken off from Bel-fair with Montreal as a destination.

"Maine's Last Hand-Crank Telephone Company" by Bryant Pond was featured in an issue of Downeast Magazine. Also featured in the magazine was "Gil Whitman's Anvil Art." Mr. Whitman was a Bryant Pond native who had moved to Edgecomb in the '60s.

Spring rains were causing problems for local highway departments.

U.S. Air Force Sergeant Walter W. Bailey was stationed at Minot (N.D.) Air Force Base.

Deaths: May Holt Kimball, Daisy D. Bryant.

40 years ago: Claudia DeMonte of Bethel was crowned queen of the 1962 Gould Academy Winter Carnival.

Gould Academy students Beverly Bryant, Steve Maxim, Brian McCrodden and Dwight Lord were to attend the All-State music festival in Dover-Foxcroft.

Deaths: Walter G. Emery, Willis George Olson, Frank E. Conroy.

50 years ago: Final rehearsals were being held for the operetta "Hulda of Holland" by members of the Gould Academy Chapter Club and glee clubs. Richard Emery and Beverly Lurvey played the two principal roles.

Nelson Smith, eight-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jason Smith, was in the CMG Hospital, Lewiston, following eye surgery. He fell while skiing and the tip of his pole pierced the upper and lower lids of his left eye.

Mr. and Mrs. H.I. Bean celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary at their home on Spring Street.

The cast of the Gould Academy one-act play, "The Old Lady Shows Her Medals," won first place over entries from Mexico and Stephens High of Rumford in the preliminary round for Oxford County in the state one-act play tournament. Cast members of the Gould play included Lala Pelkey, Henrietta Swain, Nancy Dupee, Lillian Guernsey, John Willard and Robert Patterson.

The town of Denmark voted to close its high school.

Deaths: Edgar E. Cross, William E. Billington.

70 years ago: State road jobs paid laborers 32 cents an hour.

Gordon Lathrop came from Sanford to work at the Citizen office.

80 years ago: Five hundred dollars was voted at the annual meeting of the Bethel Village Corporation to purchase and install an electric fire whistle.

M.A. Naimey purchased the S.H. Wentzell stand on Main Street.

100 years ago: C.C. Bryant sold his grocery business at the corner of Main and High streets to his son, W.C. Bryant.

Gilead voters decided to build a new schoolhouse on land donated by John Bennett.

Maple syrup was plentiful at \$1 a gallon.

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SUGARING OFF DAY is Sunday, March 24. Children and parents are welcome to drop by Leon Dunn's "Sugar Shack" on the Branch Road in Newry. For more information, call Sandee or Leon Dunn at 824-3335. (Photo by Mark Harrington)

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Briefly

Board to interview candidates

BETHEL—SAD44 directors will interview candidates for the elementary supervisor and adult education director positions in mid-April. The supervisor position became vacant last summer when David Murphy took over the Telstar principalship. And Cathy Newell, adult ed director, will leave her position the end of this school year. Supt. Kent Rosberg said he expects to have three or four candidates to interview for each position.

110 lose jobs

RUMFORD—Up to 110 MeadWestvaco Corp. hourly workers will be laid off from their paper mill jobs within the next week. 45 jobs will be cut permanently. The layoffs are the result of poor market conditions and the continued strong American dollar in the global market. The layoffs are not related to the recent merger of Mead and Westvaco paper companies. Local Union 900 President Gary Hemingway said that the company can't guarantee that those laid off temporarily will be called back. The union represents about 900 employees.

Region 9 proposed budget

MEXICO—Budgets for the 2002-03 school year of the Region 9 School of Applied Technology will be aired at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday. Director Deborah Guimont says she expects a 7 to 8 percent increase. Last year, the budget came in at \$897,000, which was a 3-to-5 percent decrease over the previous years. The decreases were attributed to moving all of the school's programs into one building. This year, there will be an approximate 5 percent salary increase for the staff, and a 20 percent increase in medical, liability and vehicle insurances.

Hanover increases office hours

HANOVER—The addition of Deputy Town Clerk Kelly Crockett, who was hired this year to help Town Clerk Clem Worcester, has allowed the town to expand its office hours. Residents of Hanover can now conduct business every day of the work week. The new hours are: Mondays, 5 to 6:30 p.m.; Tuesdays, 8 a.m. to noon; Wednesdays, 2 to 5 p.m.; Thursdays, 5 to 9 p.m.; and Fridays, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The office will be closed on all holidays.

McGrew book-signing scheduled

BETHEL—Local author Chad McGrew will be at Books 'N Things March 28 to sign copies of his new book, "Cold Heart," a psycho-thriller. He will be at the bookstore from 1 to 4 p.m. McGrew also recently signed his second, two-book deal with Bantam Books.

SKI now AESK

NEWRY—American Skiing Co. announced last week the company's shares of common stock would begin trading on the Over-the-Counter Bulletin Board, under the ticker symbol AESK. ASC stock previously traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol SKI. The company was delisted from the NYSE recently because it failed to meet performance criteria for continued listing.

Roads to be repaired

DIXFIELD—Those traveling along roads in Oxford County this summer will find many roads being repaved. More than \$10.44 million will be spent on roads in Oxford County this year. Major projects include a \$4.09 million reconstruction of 12 miles of Route 219 from West Paris to Hartford, originally put in during the 1950s. Travel lanes will be made and three-foot shoulders will be paved. The work will begin in late June, and could last for two seasons.

New buses for WMTS

MEXICO—Western Maine Transportation Services, Inc., will receive four or five new buses as a result of federal funding granted to the Maine Dept. of Transportation. MDOT will receive \$3.96 million in mass transit funding. The funding will be distributed to 17 transit agencies throughout the state, and will allow the purchase of 42 buses, a trolley and four vans to replace aging vehicles. WMTS' new buses will be used in the Oxford Hills region. The new buses will be more fuel efficient, and will have technological advances geared toward the needs of handicapped riders. The vehicles are expected to arrive in 12 to 18 months.

Memorial service for September 11

RUMFORD—A Remembrance Day Committee is organizing a Flag Retirement Ceremony at the Hosmer Field Complex, Saturday September 7, 2002. Activities being planned include speeches by military and governmental officials, military bands, and possibly a fly-over. Representatives of veterans' organizations are also expected to participate. The committee is searching for 3,000 American flags in need of being retired. Any torn, tattered, faded or flags in general disrepair can be donated. Contact the Rumford town at 364-4576 (Jolene Lovejoy). Flags will be picked up.

Daffodil Days next week

BETHEL—Daffodil Days will take place March 28 at the Bethel Foodliner, all day until 5:30 p.m. Bouquets of 10 daffodils each will be on sale for \$6. Proceeds benefit the American Cancer Society.

Watch syrup in the making

NEWRY—Leon and Sandee Dunn will be among maple sugarers taking part in the statewide Maple Syrup Sunday this weekend. Visitors may watch the syrup-making process and purchase syrup at the Dunn's, which is located on the Branch Road, off Route 26 in Newry (824-3335 for more information).

More police for Saco River

FRYEBURG—Residents at the annual Town Meeting overwhelmingly approved a request for two additional police officers to conduct summer patrols in an effort to curb rowdiness along the Saco River. Police chief David Miles submitted the request for the seasonal officers as part of a recommendation by the Saco River Task Force. An estimated 40,000 canoeists a year enter the river at Fryeburg. Each summer, there are reports of a small minority who vandalize campgrounds, get into fights and leave piles of litter behind. Miles said the additional officers will allow police to respond quickly to keep things from getting out of hand.

Wal-Mart accepting applications

MEXICO—The soon-to-be-completed Wal-Mart will start to take applications for new employees on April 15. It is expected that there will be up to 200 full- and part-time openings. The store should be completed by June. Town Manager Joseph Derouche said that applications can be dropped off at the Mexico Recreation Center for the next 30 days.

Anything Goes at Oxford Hills

PARIS—The Oxford Hills School-Community production of "Anything Goes," a Cole Porter Broadway musical, will take place April 4, 5, and 6 at 7:30 p.m., and on the 7th at 1:30 p.m., at the Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School auditorium. Tickets are now on sale. With all-reserved seating, a ticket request form must be obtained at locations in the SAD17 communities, including Ames and Shop 'n Save. A live ticket sale is scheduled for March 30 at OHCHS, from 9 a.m. to noon, for any remaining tickets. Tickets may also be purchased at the door, if available. Among members of the cast is Elton Cole of Bryant Pond.

From the Bethel Police Log:

Wednesday, March 13

At 3 p.m. police charged Randolph Z. Lego, 19, of Bethel with possession of a usable amount of marijuana.

Thursday, March 14

At 11:24 p.m. police were called to a Main Street business for a reported fight. On arrival, staff members were holding down a male subject. He had allegedly assaulted another patron, and when they asked him to leave he refused and tried to fight with them. The patron assaulted did not wish to press charges. Stephen John Cattani, 30, of Sarasota, Fla., was summonsed for criminal trespass.

Saturday, March 16

At 11:55 p.m. police stopped a subject on Route 2 for speeding. It was found he only possessed a learner's permit and did not have a licensed driver with him. He claimed to have an out-of-country license, but because of his permit status, Jairo A. Garzon was charged with operating without a license.

Sunday, March 17

At 7:30 a.m. police arrested Michael T. Rainey, 30, on three outstanding warrants.

At 10:05 a.m. police responded to Mason Street for a report of a traffic accident. As a result, Terry Boutilier, 46, of Bethel was summonsed for operating after suspension.

This report highlights points of interest from the Bethel Police Department log. It lists all cases of adults being arrested or issued a criminal summon, but does not include all reports of other police activity. To reach the Bethel Police Department, call 911 in emergency situations, 824-3437 in non-emergencies.



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Woodstock

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Equipment items

Townpeople will also vote on purchasing or fixing several pieces of town equipment.

If approved, \$20,000 would be appropriated from the Major Highway Equipment Reserve to buy a new or used truck to replace a 1997 Ford F-350 truck. The current truck would be traded in.

Another \$11,000 from the same fund would purchase a new chipper for the Highway Department. The town currently rents one, but must transport it back and forth from Auburn. Maxfield estimated the past year's rental cost at about \$2,000.

Voters will also be asked to raise and appropriate \$11,700 for an engine replacement in a 1988 Ford L-8000 truck, and replacement of a bushing and bearing in a 1979 bucket loader.

Two other equipment items would be purchased jointly with

Greenwood for the transfer station, if approved. Woodstock's share for a used backhoe would not exceed \$12,000. The share for a compactor would not exceed \$24,000. The money for both would be appropriated from the G&W Capital Account.

Currently, the town hires a backhoe to compact brown goods. Having one on site would make easier and more efficient work for the transfer station workers, Maxfield said. And a compactor, to be used on household trash, would decrease the hauling costs, he said.

One account that will go up significantly this year is health insurance for town employees. It will total \$32,000, \$11,000 more than the 2001 amount. A new secretary hired over the past year has been added to the benefit plan, and premiums have also gone up about 20 percent, Maxfield said. A total of four employees are now covered.

In election of town officials, Steve Bies' selectman's seat is up for a vote, as is Marcel Polak's SAD44 School Board position.

Two library trustee seats will be voted on, one for a three-year term and one for a one-year term.

If all warrant articles are approved, the municipal appropriation would total \$755,574, compared to 2001's \$891,993, when the town purchased a fire truck for \$190,000.

The amount to be raised from taxes would still go up by about \$20,000 to \$944,244, because less money will be used from local road assistance and state revenue sharing this year. But town valuation is up by about \$1.5 million, to \$67,213,882, and Maxfield estimates the mill rate will hold steady at 14.05.

The Town Meeting begins at 7 p.m. at the Woodstock Elementary School.

Andover

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But that, too, went down to defeat. A 3-percent raise was approved for all elected positions.

Residents were also skeptical of creating a 30-hour-a-week executive secretary position. It would have replaced the current secretary position, which is limited to less than 20 hours a week.

Joan Carney, who holds the current position, said the new plan would allow the secretary to attend workshops on state law changes, and keep selectmen better informed. It would also provide consistency, she said, given the high turnover on the board.

But several residents objected to establishing a more expensive position in which the person would be appointed. "We know how hard it is to fire someone," said Ron Adams. He suggested an elected secretary.

Janet Farrington looked at the other side. "They might get elected on personality," she said.

Brian Mills wondered if the selectmen should simply give the current secretary more hours as needed. Carney, who said she had no interest in the new position, if approved, said the town would be required to pay benefits if the job exceeded the 19 hours she may work now.

The proposal for the new position was ultimately defeated.

Voters also declined to purchase \$6,000 worth of computer software to improve the speed and accuracy of processing motor vehicle registrations.

No curbside pickup

A proposal to change over to curbside pickup of trash and recyclables was turned down after many voters said they wanted more information before making a decision.

Selectmen had recommended the change to provide better control over trash disposal. With the current transfer station format, said selectman Brad Best, Andover residents can dispose of large items for out-of-town friends. He said the

volume of material taken in over the past year seems out of proportion to the town's population.

"I don't know where the stuff came from, but I have an idea it didn't come from our town," he said.

After voting down the plan, at least for now, voters approved \$55,000 to cover transfer station costs over the next year. The amount was \$5,000 less than the \$60,000 proposed by selectmen. The 2001 appropriation was \$46,000, but the increase in volume of material prompted the board to recommend an increase.

The voters also reduced the amounts recommended by selectmen in several other accounts, including Highway Vehicle Maintenance (approved at \$3,500 instead of \$5,000) and maintenance for town buildings. The town office, hall and garage amounts were voted at \$6,800, \$6,800 and \$4,000 respectively, instead of the \$7,000, \$7,000 and \$6,500 recommended.

In making their arguments for a reduction, residents making the amended motions referred to lesser amounts spent in 2001, as listed in the town report. Townpeople were more generous when it came to lending the Snow Valley Sno-goers Club \$35,000 to pay for part of the purchase of a trail groomer. The estimated payback period is four years, with 1 percent interest charged annually.

A few residents were skeptical of the plan, even though the club had borrowed money in the mid-1990s for the same purpose, and paid it back ahead of schedule. Much of the money to pay back the loan comes from funds the club receives annually from the state for trail maintenance.

Scotti was among the skeptics. "I don't think the town of Andover should be in the banking business," she said. Wayne Delano said the loan would reduce the amount of money the town has in surplus. He also objected to the 1 percent interest rate.

Mark Thurston said keeping trails in good condition benefits the town as a whole because it brings people — and their money — into town. And, said Freeman Farrington, the club members provide the labor free of charge.

Scotti amended the article to charge interest at a rate equivalent to that of a bank, but it was defeated. Voters then went on to easily approve the loan as originally worded.

Townpeople also approved, but narrowly, an article to take \$129,000 from surplus to reduce taxes. Some, including selectman Trudy Akers, wanted to use it to further pay off outstanding loans. Carney also noted the town is due for a revaluation, at a cost of about \$50,000.

Belanger simply wanted to take a more conservative approach. "We've had a decrease in money from the state," he said. "It's a good idea to have a few bucks in the bank." The town, he said, would have about \$90,000 left in the account if the article was approved.

But, said Delano, "We've been overtaxed about 3 mills for the past few years. That's why the surplus has been growing. This is your money. You deserve it back."

Window funds approved

Voters approved \$13,000 to purchase new windows for the Town Hall, but asked selectmen to further research window options before buying them.

They turned down an article that would have restricted the sale of lots in the Woodlawn West Cemetery Annex to Andover residents and property owners, after questions were raised about the legality of such a restriction.

Belanger said Tuesday the approved municipal budget totals \$820,476, down from the \$837,459 proposed in the warrant.

In municipal elections held Tuesday, Carney and Laura Hutchins were elected selectmen. Both ran unopposed.

John Percival, who agreed to be a last-minute write-in candidate for the School Board, was also elected unopposed. A total of 37 residents voted.

ASC

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year's levels," said B.J. Fair, chief executive officer.

ASC earlier this month delayed the release of its latest earnings report, citing new information that required "substantial revisions."

The request to the Securities and Exchange Commission for a five-day filing extension came the same week that the company was delisted from the New York Stock Exchange because of its low stock price. It now trades on the over-the-counter exchange.

In addition to Steamboat, ASC owns Sunday River and Sugarloaf/USA in Maine; Killington and Mount Snow in Vermont; Attitash Bear Peak in New Hampshire; The Canyons in Utah and Heavenly along the California-Nevada line.

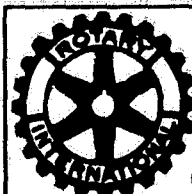
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Bethel



by Virginia Keniston
Daffodil Days will be Thursday, March 28 (all day), at the Bethel Foodliner. Connie

Thurston is chairman for the Bethel area. Don't forget to do your part to benefit the American Cancer Society.

Al and Lee Barth enjoyed a lesson in curling at Belfast Curling Club one day last week. While there, Lee was interviewed by Channel 6 TV and featured in two news broadcasts the next day.

The Cross Country quilting group visited the Keepsake Quilting Shop in Meredith, N.H. on Monday. Those attending were Lucy Nordahl, Lee Barth, Diane Smith, June Abbott and Barbara Honkala.

Lois Burgess is a patient at the Maine Medical Center in Portland and would appreciate cards.

Peg Wight, Jean Bass, Carol Hatch, Beth Brough, Pat Boyle-Wright and Amy Davis spent an overnight in Burlington, Vt., and attended the United Church of Christ New England Women's Conference and workshops the next day. On the way home, they visited Persis Post in Shelburne, Vt.

Avery Angevine came home on Friday after being at Stephens Memorial Hospital for a hip replacement.

Several Gould Academy classmates enjoyed a get-together, hosted by Alumni Director Josiah Drummond in Englewood, Fla., last week. Attending from the classes of 1944, 1945 and 1946 were Hi and Mary Lou Berry of Bethel, Bill and

Pat Moore of Stow, Vt., Ed Dorion and Mary Nutter of Portland, Mr. Drummond also visited with Mike ('58) and Jean Stowell while in Florida.

Jeffrey Meaux and children, Andrew and Savannah, of Marietta, Ga., were ski visitors with their grandparents, Lefty and Mary Keniston, last Thursday through Sunday.

Several inches of snow fell on Monday night, March 18.

On Friday, March 15, at the Town & Country Mobile Home Village Community Room, Norway, there were seven full tables of duplicate bridge. Winners north-south were Grace and Luke Merry, first; Bill Bowman and Jo Beatty, second; Rosalie and Barbara Vanderzanden, third. Winners east-west were Paul Barber and Rowena Palmer, first; Wally Fricke and Elliott Levy, second; Don Johnson and Sue Ellis, third. Join this group any Friday at 9 a.m. A partner is guaranteed. For more information, call Rowena Palmer at 743-2882.

Sunday River Valley



by Rockie Graham
Spring is here, or so they say. It is later earlier and later, but the temperature

is not that it is unusually cold for this time of year nor is the changeable weather rare in spring. It is just that we had a taste of warmer weather, and we are all anxious to see it. Spring is one of my favorite times of year. I like the warmth that comes without biting and stinging bugs and is not suffocatingly hot.

In short, it is spring-like weather and that is just fine with me. Of course, I will have to wait awhile yet to see it, but it is worth waiting for.

Friday evening, we joined the area's finest at a fundraiser for John Baldacci. John, as you all know, is currently the Representative from the 2nd Congressional District. He is running for Governor of our fine state. Joining area Democrats at the Bethel Inn were both Democrats from other areas and Republicans. Also present were some of the candidates for the 2nd Congressional seat — Susan Longley, and John Nutting — and candidates for various state races. It was an enjoyable evening.

A reminder is in order that the Bethel Area Poets Society will meet on the 28th of March from 7-9 p.m. at the Black Bear Inn. The inn is on Sunday River Road beyond the Covered Bridge. Anyone needing directions or more information can call me at 824-3427. All are welcome to attend.

Next week starts Passover. It commemorates the Jews' escape from Egypt and the beginning of their journey to Jerusalem.

That is all the news for this week. Be safe and enjoy the almost spring-like weather, even if it snows.

East Bethel



by Nancy Mercer
Roger and Louise Twitchell, Dot Bartlett and Nancy Mercer attended the

Bethel Senior Citizens Club meeting and dinner at the American Legion Hall in Greenwood on March 13.

Lucy Nordahl, Barbara Honkala and Bettyann Hastings were in Portland on March 15 to see the Portland Flower Show. All thought it was a nice show.

Peter Bouchard and Alyssa Howe and daughter, Skylar, of Mechanic Falls; Becca Howe and Jason Coolidge; Andrea Howe and Savannah had a St. Paddy's Day dinner with Len and Diane Parker.

Dale and Nancy Kimball were in Sturbridge, Mass., on March 10 to 16 for a ceramics conference.

Nancy Kimball will have surgery on one hand on March 21.

Dana and Millie Jackson saw Bill and Debbie Eldridge for lunch recently in Unity.

Mrs. Helen Hallman of Cape Cod, Mass., visited Arlene Harrington from March 12 to 15.

Have a nice week. God Bless America.

Hanover



by Clem Worcester
The southern contingent of the "good old boys" and friends gathered recently in

Melbourne Beach, Fla., in the pre-dawn hours at the oceanfront penthouse condo of Frank and Marie Morrison. They watched the launch of the shuttle Columbia, witnessed the sunrise over the Atlantic and enjoyed a sumptuous breakfast and good fellowship. Present in addition to the host and hostess were John and Marjorie Hannawalt; Marjorie's sister, Frances Riordan from New York; Bunny and Rocky Swain, formerly of Hanover and Bethel; and Mary Anne and Bob Dragoon. All agreed that the launch was spectacular and the breakfast was very tasty.

Those folks in Florida are having a good time, but note that on some days this winter it has been almost as warm in Maine as in Florida. While they have been enjoying Florida, they are beginning to look forward to getting back to Howard Pond in the spring.

Bob and Sandy Testani have re-

cently been guests of Shirley and Bruce Powell. While in the area, they visited with their son, Keith Testani, and enjoyed sightseeing.

Word has been received of the death of Roger Ogden last November at the age of 80. In 1946, Roger purchased the J.B. Roberts furniture factory and store on the Howard Pond Road. He made and sold antique pine furniture at that location until about 1951. Later, he joined the papermaking industry in Rumford and lived with his family in an apartment at the "1817 Smith Homestead" before purchasing the property on Main Street now owned by Tim Healy. The Ogden family eventually moved to Wisconsin Rapids, Wis. We extend sympathy to the family.

Also receiving sympathy is the family of Dr. Vassilios Handanos. His funeral reportedly was in Canada on March 8. Handanos was a Hanover resident and was often seen walking near his home at Howard Pond. He was the pediatrician in the Rumford area for many years and was adamantly concerned for the good care of "his kids."

Gilead



by Elise Caswell
If you were to take the calendar year and adapt it to a single day, the month of March

would be like 4 a.m. It's truly a between times. Like the hour just before the dawn, it is throbbing with magic and a rhythm that is unique unto itself. Since moving to Maine and experiencing the process of maple sugaring, I have a new respect for March and for the lessons we can all learn from the trees. In fact, I am beginning to look to the trees for mentoring. I believe they can help me finally learn to adapt to this new and beautiful environment that has become my home.

Uprooted, one is hardly able to gather any sweetness at all. You do your best to transplant yourself

with a big black root ball but some of the intricate rootlets that wove an underground fabric of sustenance are torn and ripped apart in the process of relocation. The cold comes in and you feel separated from what once gave you nourishment and you fear you will never find the sweetness again. Time passes.

One day, after the seasons circle around and a few new rings have widened your base, you begin to sense the establishment of new rootlets — the deep ones that reach out wide underground to absorb the tiniest bit of moisture from the drought-plagued earth. Like setting out an underground net of connection, you wake up one day and realize that you are beginning to feel fed by this new spot and by the people planted in the garden around you. And in the dawn of warmth, you begin again to feel the sweetness rising up inside of you.

It must be the warm, sunny days and the chilly nights create a pump from alternating temperatures, pushing up the sap like the mercury in the thermometer. Does that happen in a relationship too? Do moments of heat following periods of chill take things up a notch? And how far out do our rootlets reach beneath the ground to absorb the nourishment we crave? I understand that a well-rooted tree has more of a branch system beneath the ground than it has reaching upward to the sky. These are the flow of my thoughts as I walk out to collect the maple sap water in my five gallon buckets. We gather sweetness over the course of the week and on weekends feed a boil to render that sweet water into syrup. We sit beside the boiling sap hour after hour under the trees. We watch the birds and eat peanuts and flirt with the squirrels. We are forced by the process to stop and to sit and to feed the slow fire. We gather together. We cultivate our fire and we render our sweetness. It is work. But it is the quiet sitting and doing nothing as evaporation works its magic, that teaches us to stop and to appreciate the sweetness of being with each other and with the trees. Who knows? In the

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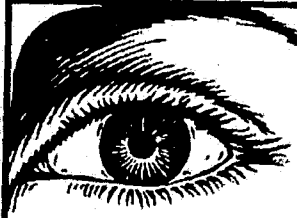
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by Sharon Bouchard

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Another week has gone by and I still haven't won the lottery. I'm still waiting for Ed McMahon and Dick Clark to come knocking on my door with the big check.

There are several other sweepstakes that months ago I was officially notified of being selected for the final round of the grand prize drawing. I have yet to receive the official notification of winning any of these grand prizes.

I wonder why? Could it be that I'm not going to win a great deal of money? I read an article recently that said the odds of getting struck by lightning are better than winning the Publishers Clearinghouse Sweepstakes. I don't think they are a whole lot better for winning the lottery either. I keep hoping anyway despite the astronomical odds. No harm in that.

I hope just a little harder every time I cash my pathetic paycheck and attempt to pay the bills. The odds that there will be more bills than the paycheck will cover are a whole heck of a lot better than winning the lottery. In fact, I'd go so far as to say the bills exceeding the paycheck are a definite. Each payday, I'm forced to make some hard decisions — pay all the bills or eat. If eating wins, which it always does, then I have to decide which bills to let age just a little longer.

I remember, what seems like a very long time ago, when life was simpler. Payday then was an exciting day. It was something to look forward to. It usually meant that I could go out to eat at a restaurant or go shopping or maybe take in a movie complete with popcorn.

There were even times, before children, debt, household and medical expenses, that payday meant I could go out to eat at a restaurant, go shopping and take in a movie complete with popcorn and a drink. Those were truly the good old days.

Payday just doesn't mean the same when you take home pay isn't enough to take you home. I still look forward to it, but that's because I have to get it to the bank to cover the check I wrote to get me through to payday.

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It was a hard lesson to learn that still having checks in the checkbook didn't mean there was money in the checking account to cover them. I thought balancing a checkbook meant being able to write a check while walking very fast.

Yes, I sure do hope to win a large sum of money pretty soon. That hope grows especially strong every time I buy the groceries. Is it just me or has everything in the supermarket gone sky high?

Each week I go up and down the store aisles trying to see if I can buy food that is cheap, nutritious and tastes good too. Each week it's hamburger and even that isn't so cheap any more.

I shudder every time I hear on the news of a freeze, a drought, a hurricane, a tornado or some other act of God. That is a guarantee that the price of something is going to go through the roof.

The last time the coffee bean crop was affected by a freeze the price of coffee escalated by 50% the same day and has pretty much stayed there ever since. I just don't understand why a freeze on unharvested coffee beans causes the coffee all ready in the can to double in price.

And why are milk prices climbing so frequently. Cows don't drink coffee. Was there a drought in the Midwest that did in the grain harvest? When that happens, we the consumers get hit in all directions. All the food products that are grain-based like bread, crackers and pasta are driven up in price. Products that depend on grain for feed, such as beef, poultry, pork, milk and eggs are driven up in price and therefore all products made with the aforementioned which is just about everything, are driven up in price.

I don't like it and I think there is a lot of hot air in the drought/freeze/hurricane/tornado excuse that goes on year after year. It's not like prices go down during big harvest years. No I don't like it one bit, but there's little I can do about it.

What I like even less is the increased price on household items like laundry detergent, cleaning product and deodorizers that don't even have a weak excuse for the increases. It's not like sodium sulfate in all its various forms was wiped out by a bad winter.

As for the health and beauty aids, forget it! If you want to start your day by washing with soap, shampooing with shampoo and conditioner, brushing your teeth with toothpaste, applying lotions, make-up and hairspray and capping it all off with a vitamin before breakfast, you'd better hope that you do win the lottery.

Oh sure, there are product coupons to save you money, but have you noticed that most of them are on multiple purchases? You can get \$.50 off when you buy 5 bars of soap. Some weeks it hard enough to afford to buy just one bar of soap.

To add insult to injury, we seem to run out of everything at the same time. It's almost as if the laundry detergent, the shampoo and the Spic 'n Span conspire with the salt, pepper, flour and sugar to be all used up on the worst possible week.

They must also get word to the car to put the gas gauge on empty so a stop at the pumps on the way to the supermarket will be necessary. And as I'm sure you have noticed, for a stop at the gas station, winning the lottery will definitely be necessary. What is it with the oil companies anyway? They used to at least wait until after Memorial Day to start the price gouging; this year they have begun all ready.

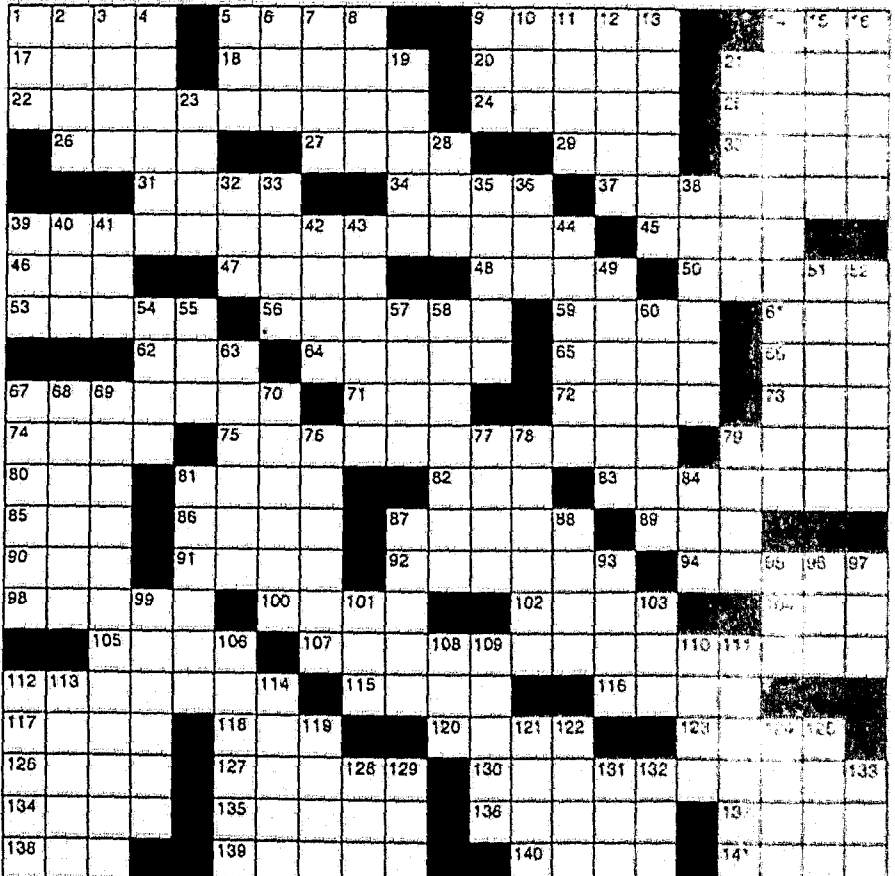
I guess you can blame that on the weather too. A mild winter, such as we have had this year, means lower oil sales which means we make it up in the price of gasoline until next November. Do you ever feel like you just can't win?

But win is exactly what I hope to do. The way I see it I stand just as much chance as the next person of winning the grand prize in the Publishers Clearinghouse Sweepstakes. In fact, that might be Ed McMahon and Dick Clark knocking on my door right now — or it could be just a bolt of lightning.

Super Crossword

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21 Geometric figure
22 President who was a male model
24 Electrical inventor
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26 European capital
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29 Flat hat
30 It's good in a pinch
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34 "Picnic" playwright
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38 First language
39 President whose first language wasn't English
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56 Peirarch
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13 Pottery
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19 Vegas place
20 Vainalla
21 Villain
22 Shiba — (Japanese dog)
23 Link
24 Running
25 Monsieur
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stillness, a bird might land, teaching us something about stretching a wing or singing a song.

In March, the snow evaporates, the sap water evaporates and after a busy cold winter we stop sliding on the ice and feel the good trustworthiness of earth under our feet. It is like waking up in the morning to a bright sunrise and to the songs of the birds. Maple syrup is liquid gold — but who is teaching whom to render sweetness? Happy dawn-ing of spring.

North Newry



by
Gil Sealey

Winter in the west — spring in the east? "These trees that sometimes talk to me in words, of elm and oak vocabulary are not merely timber, but houses for birds, and they slip arms about each midnight star. Trees know things we would be surprised to know; they whisper knowledge to the wise, old owl and sometimes when their branches bend down low I think some of them laugh, some of them scowl. Lately I have begun to think of trees as human beings with lives of their own, they understand the storms' great mysteries, and God in shadows visits them alone. Not merely timber are these silent trees guarding the earth and all its centuries..."

On their way home from a shopping trip, Karlene and Gil Sealey stopped at Bea Lowell's for a nice little visit one day last week.

The Newry Mothers Club will host an Easter Egg Hunt and Party at the Newry Grange on Saturday, March 30 from 10 to 12 a.m. Any child that wishes to join the fun must bring an Easter basket. Patty is looking for much needed help on this day; anyone interested please call her at 824-2960.

Andover



by
Joan Stinson Carney

Well Town Meeting is over with for another year. Things went very well, and we got through 71 articles by about 2:30 p.m., and that was with an hour break for lunch. The Bicentennial Committee outdid themselves, the lunch was fantastic, and we want to thank everyone who came to eat and help us raise some money for our 200th Birthday Party. Remember that there is a meeting on Thursday, March 21, for anyone who is interested in helping plan a Winter Carnival for the year 2004 — 7 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Spring officially began yesterday; my favorite time of the year is coming. I'm yearning for the sight of green grass, leaves, and flowers. Is there some way we can omit telling the mosquitoes and black flies about this? If anyone could, they would make millions.

Speaking about spring, Junior Poor has been getting ready to make maple syrup. Paula and David McDonald from Gilford, N.H., were here last week helping

him, along with Peter and Penny Poor, and if you get a chance to go visit him at his sap house, please do. Penny told me he loves company. You'd probably get a free sample, too.

I wish to extend my sympathy to the family of Herbert Knox. Mr. Knox passed away recently. "Buster" Faulkenham is in Stephens Memorial Hospital in Norway; a card would be nice.

You can't keep a good man down. Just days after lung surgery, Colby Roberts was out driving his car. It seems he tricked Stan Pingree into helping him get to the car by promising that he just wanted to sit in it, but when Stan went back to check on him, Colby had decided to go for a drive. Good for you Colby. Of course you should hear Stan on the subject.

Its only about two weeks until the "wedding," and even though I'm trying not to think too much about it, it's always in the back of my mind just waiting to jump out at me. I guess that letting go is not one of my strong suits. Reason tells me that it will be a perfect wedding, that everything will go the way it's supposed to go, but that horrid part of my mind keeps whispering "what if, what if". I truly will be glad when it's all over.

Edna White graciously received the Boston Post Cane during the Town Meeting lunch. Later on she went to Bingo at the American Legion in Dixfield, and she won, too. I looked up some of the history concerning the cane. The first one was presented in 1903, but women didn't become eligible to receive it until 1930, and this was after "much controversy." What do you

think about that, ladies? Of course it's been proven that women live longer than men; maybe that had something to do with it, but I really don't think so.

The word of the week is "petulant." Look it up. See "ya."

Upton



by
Eleanor LeComte

The annual Town Meeting was held at the Upton School House on Tuesday, March 13.

Thirty voters were present. All the articles were passed. The atmosphere was friendly but serious as the citizens considered each article. Elected were: Wendy Hanscom, moderator; Walter Stanczyk, tax collector, treasurer and town clerk; Jennifer Casey, school committee; Marie Aaron, school committee; and Richard LeComte, selectman.

Last week, we were saddened to hear that a snowmobiler had gone through the ice on Umbagog. Two individuals were involved in the accident. One man drowned in spite of the valiant efforts of the game wardens from New Hampshire and Maine. They made many dives under the ice risking their lives to recover the victim. This again proves that night snowmobiling on the ice is not only very dangerous but very stupid.

Congratulations to Jennifer and Tyler Aldrich who both attained high honors this term at the Crescent Park School.

The frost heaves on the way to

Errol are pretty bad. It happens every year and we are quite used to it. There are several new "surprise potholes" to keep you on the alert. "Speed runs" to Errol are not advised.

The deer are faring better since the snow level has dropped considerably. They are now able to reach the browse in the woods fairly well. They still prefer the lovely green tips in Joy Yarnell's garden. I would advise them to get a move on because Joy has declared war on them.

We have a beautiful big doe raiding our bird feeder. She sticks her tongue in the holes scooping out a mouthful and becomes resentful when we interrupt her. She glares at us through the window and stomps her hooves to scare us away. Sue Nelson brings her feeder indoors at dark because the critters were emptying them every night. Our feeder has been raided by every beast known to man except an elephant or a rhino. There have been raccoons, bears, flying squirrels and the little red monsters. The ducks and geese occasionally come to dinner (uninvited).

Although the first day of spring has arrived we barely noticed it. The snow and chilly weather prevail. The bird population remains the same. The only robins we have seen were south of Bryant Pond.

Several people have gone to great lengths to see a patch of green or a flower. Jeanette and Lionel Roy took a bus trip to the Boston Flower Show on Saturday. Joy Yarnell manned the McLaughlin booth at the Portland show. Evelyn Kenney and I visited the Portland show, linking up with Carolyn

(Hill) Taylor. The flowers and displays were exceptional. The Coney Island hot dogs smothered in sauerkraut weren't too shabby either.

The Scenic Highway Committee met on March 13 at the Newry Town Office. Discussions on logos and a brochure were presented to the group.

The "Birds of the Week" are those two lovebirds, Walter and Liz Stanczyk, who celebrated forty years of wedded bliss this week.

Don't forget to call me with your news items on Sunday or early Monday morning. We would like to hear about those "highly adventurous moments" in your life each week.

Spring has sprung, the grass has riz, I wonder where the birdies is. Happy Spring.

Locke Mills



by
Lorraine Larson

Here we are in the second week of March and we are still in the middle of mild. I think we are beginning to think "early spring." The birds are beginning to come back, and those that are here are getting noisier. We wake up to choruses of tweets, chirps and loud calls. I for one try to forget that in April last year there was six feet of snow in our backyard. This year will be different — I hope.

I try not to be superstitious. My grandmother tended to be so I heard a lot of them. "Sing before breakfast — cry before night"

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Any member of the public who wishes to comment or ask questions regarding the above proposed project is invited and encouraged to submit their comments in writing to Lucian Robarge, Superintendent, Bethel Water District, PO Box 104, Bethel, Maine 04217 by March 20, 2002.

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she'd chide, "Don't break the mirror; you'll have seven years bad luck"; "Be careful of that salt shaker, you don't want to spill any salt" and I could go on and on. But one superstition I've had a hard time refuting. It just seems to keep happening — and that is that things come in threes. We recently got our third dishwasher (all second hand, which might account for their short lives) and we hope that "the third one never fails." We also just recently replaced our microwave, vacuum cleaner and coffee maker. Now we have, as I mentioned last week, to replace a breaker, a pane of glass and get our car heater fixed. Of course, not everything does come in threes, but I wish it wouldn't happen so often. I really do.

Now I need to get to a subject I've been trying to avoid all evening and that is the tragic death of Duane Winslow. Duane was so much a part of what makes Locke Mills unique that I guess I just thought he'd always be here. Even after he moved to Bethel I thought of him being a piece of Locke Mills still — just a piece that got temporarily displaced. But Locke Mills is changing. I'm sure it has been right along. New people come in, businesses change hands, the old Lockes is becoming the new Greenwood. And I wonder if that was part of what he was feeling, as if the rope he'd been hanging onto had somehow turned to threads and was slipping through his hands. We'll never know, of course. We just know we'll miss him.

I sat down right after I heard about his death and wrote a few lines. I deliberated putting them in the paper because they were, among other things, very personal thoughts. I was getting out my hurt

and pain in one of the ways I find easiest — putting it on paper. But someone else thought I ought to share it, so here it is.

Remembering a man called Duane:

I lost a friend today. I could have told him I considered him a friend. I never did. I could have made him a home-cooked meal or invited him to dinner. I never did. I wanted someone who could walk my dogs. He loved dogs and I would see him occasionally walk someone else's dog. He could have loved and walked my dogs but I never thought of him, so he never did. He could have used a visit from someone — a friendly hello — a cheery card — but I never thought about being that someone — I never did. I knew he was lonely. I knew his life had taken an unfortunate turn. Others knew it, too. Some did something about it. I never did. I hope somewhere along the way God helped him and made him welcome — because, God help me, I never did.

Bryant Pond



by Alice Hoyt
Whitman Memorial Library Book Discussion Group will meet with Dean B. Bennett, author of "The Wilderness from Chamberlain Farm: A Story of Hope for the American Wild," on April 11 at 10 a.m. All are welcome to attend.

Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens met at Woodstock town conference room on March 7 for a potluck dinner and social time. A

short business meeting preceded the dinner. Two new members were welcomed. The door prize was won by Avis Hayes. Several members had stories to tell. Following the dinner, Marilyn Dyer from Northeast Health Care Quality Foundation spoke on Medicare, and she provided each one with folders containing information on Medicare along with toll-free numbers. Next meeting will be April 4 at the Grange Hall with the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War providing the dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Howe along with Mr. and Mrs. Roger Twitchell will tell of their Alaska adventures. Mark your calendar and come join us.

The Woodstock Republican Town Committee is formulating plans for an Oxford County Candidate Dinner for Saturday, May 18, at the American Legion Hall on the Gore Road, Locke Mills at 6 p.m. There will be a social hour at 5:30 p.m. with a chicken pie buffet following. All candidates of Oxford County will be invited and also Susan Collins. Committee members are: Judy Bennett, Norman and Joan Putnam, Olive Risko, Milton Mills, Margaret and Joan Hall, Paul Billings and Evelyn T. Bean. Dinner will be served by the Jackson Silver Post 68 auxiliary. All are invited to attend and May 11 is the latest to buy tickets from any member. A few reserved tickets may be purchased that evening.

Winners of the Woodstock fifth-grade calendar recently were Chris Cooper, \$50; Chris Cooper, \$25; Kevin Waterhouse, \$25; Michelle Wakefield, \$25 and Madelyn Paradis, \$25.

Patch the Pirate Club meets each Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. at the Baptist Church, same time as prayer meeting. Sunday services are Sunday School and Adult Bible

Fellowship at 9:15 a.m., morning worship at 10:30 a.m., choir practice at 4:45 p.m. and evening service at 6 p.m. March 29th is Good Friday Service at 6:30 p.m.

Judith Grover Tent 17 Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War met on Monday, March 11 at the home of Alice Hoyt. Nine members were present. Council members number one, Michelle Cary, and number two, Beatrice Farnum, were installed. Plans were made for the Senior Citizens Dinner in April. Plans were also discussed for a sale May 18th of food, crafts, white elephants, good rummage, etc. and lunch. A table may be rented to sell your own things. Call Helvi Cary at 665-2915 or Alice Hoyt at 665-2460. The Department Convention will be held in Portland on June 20 and 21. Calls made were 31. Reported department past president Maude Conant is in a nursing home. Cards were signed and sent. Next meeting will be at the Grange Hall. Voted to order flags. Refreshments were served by Beatrice and Alice.

Franklin Grange met on Saturday, March 9. Eleven members were present. Several were reported sick. March 29 is Eva Mills' 100th birthday. She is at Ledgeview Living Center. Please send cards.

Voted to put on the May Senior Citizens Dinner. Program: opening thought; song, "When Irish Eyes are Smiling"; reading, "What is St. Patrick's Day" by Richard Felt; Dot Canwell whistled; poem by Lucille Robbins, "School Days"; song, "Peggy O'Neil"; Irish quiz; "Happy Birthday" was sung to Peggy Blake; Helvi Cary read "Ode to St. Patrick"; closing thought, Anna Swan; song, "Battle Hymn of the Republic." April meetings start the first and third Monday at 7 p.m.

The program at the Historical Society in March was on Alaska. Annella Burnham will supervise the fundraising; a brochure was produced for a membership drive. A copier was donated by Ruth and Don Feeney — much thanks. Kathleen Bean and Barbara Hathaway provided refreshments, which were delicious. The next meeting will once more be at the museum building. Program to be announced later. Paul and Mary Billings got some brochures for the society at Grass Roots. They have a sketch on them of the museum by Arlene MacKillop. The society encourages personal development and improvement. Our offerings to help you in this quest are among the very best. Society members take a real interest in the community and area.

They also are devoted to Maine and New England in general. Curator Larry Billings is gathering some things on classical music for the society.

South Woodstock



by Andrea Wing
Sorry I didn't have any news last week. I fell and got real bruised but didn't break anything. Have been hobbling around since.

Doug Wing made honors at the U of M in Farmington this past semester. Doug is a senior this year and plans to go on to more schooling. He is the son of Rick Wing of Bridgton and Terry Cole of South Paris and grandson of Richard and Andrea Wing of South Woodstock and Margaret Berryment of South Paris.

I missed saving the names of ones on the honor rolls of schools in this area, but want to congratulate them all on their good work.

Looks like spring may be here. The weather has been real warm, sprinkles and spring-like. It's been an easy winter so far.

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and her son, Zack, spent Sunday afternoon with us recently. We always love to have them come up and really enjoy seeing Zack, as he changes so much each time we see him. He's almost three years old.

I had a nice visit with Phelps and Joan Poland one afternoon last week. Terry and Phil Merrill dropped by while I was there. I always stay longer than I intend to.

Tommy Poland is home and doing real well after her hip surgery. Good luck to Johnny Cox who is sick and getting treatments almost every day. I wish him better health soon.

Frank Frazer stopped by for a visit one day. We got caught up on some of the news in the area. Frank and his family live in the old Olive Davis' home and have done a lot of work since they've lived there. You couldn't ask for a better neighbor than Frank.

Larry Billings, curator of the Woodstock Historical Society, reports that they have started a membership drive and encourages everyone to join. The March meeting featured a video on some of the animals of Alaska supplied by the secretary, Kathleen Bean. Members were glad Harlan Abbott attended. Anella Burnham is in charge of fundraising. Curator Billings says he got a note from President and Mrs. Bush. The society with its museum facility, programs and activities offers everyone a wholesome, productive outlet in a time that is often troubled at best. Fortunately, patriotism is on the upswing.

West Paris

by Joyce Lamb
Marilyn Hammond of the South Paris Universalist Church will be guest speaker at the West Paris Universalist Church on March 24. Her topic is "Shapes of Courage." Jim Burke is organist.

A coffee hour will follow. The quilt is progressing well. The Craft Group meets next Thursday at 1 p.m. at the church. It will take several afternoons to complete the quilt.

Cabin Fever Countdown continues at the Universalist Church with games, puzzles, cribbage, bridge and dominoes. Refreshments are available. Come join us for an afternoon of fun and talking.

On Monday, March 25, at 6 p.m. the Goodwill Fellowship will meet with Peg Perham for a potluck supper and meeting. Pokeno will be enjoyed after the meeting. All bring a wrapped gift.

Vance Bacon is doing well at home after surgery. He and Connie will not be flying to Florida as was planned. Better luck next year.

I am able to be out again. It is rough not being able to go as one pleases. I am, however, able to volunteer at Ledgerview. The residents were glad to see me again after being out for three weeks. There are several friends that I visit every week.

Buffy is outside most of the time during the day. He never stays out at night. A large Siamese cat now lives across the road. Buffy has to investigate him so he crosses the road at times. I try to discourage him. So far he has been car wise. We have several acres for him to roam on that he considers his territory, so he doesn't need to invade another's territory.

West Paris

by Bertina DeHaas
On Maundy Thursday, March 28, the combined choirs of the West Paris Baptist, Paris Hill Baptist and the Seventh Day Adventist Church of Perkins Valley will put on an Easter Cantata at 7 p.m. at the Paris Hill Baptist Church. On Good Friday, March 29, the same combined

choirs will put the Easter Cantata on at the West Paris Baptist Church at 7 p.m., and on Saturday, March 30, the same combined choirs will present the Easter Cantata at 10 a.m. at the Seventh Day Adventist Church on Perkins Valley Road in Woodstock. Mrs. Mary Standard is in charge of this entire production and Mrs. Maurice Veatch is the pianist for the entire production. God bless you both for your dedication.

There will be a luncheon meeting of the West Paris Senior Citizens, Tuesday, April 2, at 12 noon at the Market Square Restaurant in South Paris.

There will be a special benefit supper and dance for Kenny Pulsifer on Saturday, April 13, at the Legion Hall in Locke Mills. Supper is at 5:30 p.m. and the dance is from 8 p.m. to midnight, with Rockin Road Runners Band performing. Tickets for the supper are \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children 12 and under. The dance tickets are \$16 per couple and \$9 per single. Supper will be casseroles, baked beans, rolls, coleslaw and homemade pies. Kenny fell six feet and got hurt, then suffered a stroke. For more information on tickets, please call Dorene Wilbur (Kenny's sister) at 674-2346. Come on out and help Kenny.

Happy St. Patrick's Day and happy Easter to you all.

East Stoneham

by Eleanor Nelson
Hi readers. Kay and George Gustin of Wales, Maine, and their daughter, Amy Mulherin, and son, Dylan, were callers at Dick and Marilyn Jones' recently. Amy's husband, Todd, of the Bandit Construction Company, is currently building a log cabin home at Lake Kezar in Lovell. Kay and Marilyn are cousins, and Dick and Marilyn used to live here in

Stoneham.

One day recently at Market Square Restaurant I saw an old (I don't really mean old) friend, Pearl Goodwin, with some of her friends. She used to man the old switchboard at B.E. Cole Shoe Manufacturing Company in Norway. It used to amaze me how she could plug all those wires into the right places at the right time and still chat with people and always be smiling. Good to see you, Pearl.

As you all know, Maine has been having quite a dry spell this past year. Rural Mainers are being hit hardest by the drought. Thousands of shallow-dug wells have gone dry and new wells can cost about \$4,000 or more to be drilled. We have to be saving. We have been so lucky to have enough water.

Congratulations go out to Joseph Stefano, Rebecca Even and Jenna Ligor who made the honor roll at Molly Ockett School. Good work, kids. You worked hard to earn those marks. I'm sure Stoneham is proud of you.

The Oxford County Republicans met Tuesday evening in South Paris at the Deering Methodist Church for supper and meeting with 48 members present and 13 towns represented. After a delicious supper was served, the meeting was opened by Chairman Paul Billings at about 7:30 p.m. The featured speaker, Rick Bennett, was unable to be there, but those elected officials and candidates who were there gave us a few words of encouragement and information on how things are going, namely Ted Heidrick, Sheriff "Skip" Lloyd Herrick, Sawin Millett, Steve Merrill, Jim Carey, Ted Tracy, Adam Round, Dana Knightly, Clinton Conant, Diane Mitchell, Randy Haken, Rob Cameron, Becky Kendall and Evelyn Bean. Two towns (Stoneham was one of them) paid their Oxford County quotas at this meeting. It was a good supper, good meeting and good turnout of people.

Steve Valley and Stan Sampson of Norway have been helping Albert on his woodpile the last few

weeks sawing the wood that Albert splits and delivers.

Frances Grant and I found a new little place to have lunch today and that is the Lovell Village Store and Restaurant in Lovell Village (Rosie's). They have specials every day along with regulars. It is nice and neat, reasonable and good.

Fryeburg Academy Theater Group won the one-act play competition in South Portland recently. Now they go to the state competition in Caribou on March 22-23.

Molly Nelson won first place for Endicott College at an Equestrian Team meet at Millis, Mass., recently.

Boy Scout Troop 155 from Lovell went on a winter campout at Farrington Pond recently. There were 15 total with 11 staying overnight. They couldn't make snow shelters because of lack of snow, but they had fun anyway doing map and compass work, etc.

Albany

by Dana & Sheila Dyke
Hi Everyone. Sorry about missing last week's column — with Dana's injury, we kind of forgot about this. Before going any further, we want to thank everyone who has been so generous with their time, well wishes, prayers and thoughts since Dana's injury. We appreciate the generosity and are amazed (again) at what a wonderful community full of friends and "family" we have found ourselves in. Thank you very much.

Bible Study will be at the home of Fernand and Holle Corriveau on Thursday evening, 6:30, as usual, with Pastor Ed Gammon overseeing the study.

There won't be any Youth Group meetings this Friday, as the kids will all be at the Pinhook Meeting-Sing in Bryant Pond for Hymn Sing. They will get together sometime Saturday afternoon to rehearse the songs they will be singing at church on Sunday. They're sounding pretty good, and, hopefully, as they practice more, will gain the confidence in their singing.

This past Sunday the congregation of the Albany Church gathered in the vestry after services to wish Holle Corriveau and Carlton Rugg happy birthday. Holle is the eternal 17-year-old. Carlton's birthday is actually in mid-April, but he won't be around then as he will be resuming his trek of the Appalachian Trail by that time.

Again, our many thanks for everyone who has shown us just how much they care about us. We are very fortunate and blessed to have found such a wonderful community to live in.

From the

Bethel Rotary Club

We'd love to see you this Sunday, March 24, at the Country Breakfast at Ordway Hall, Gould Academy, from 7:30 to 11 a.m. Tickets: (\$5 for adults/\$2.50 for under 12) are available from any Bethel Rotarian or at the door. Proceeds from this breakfast will benefit Rotary's local scholarship program and international projects.

This week in Rotary was Club Assembly. Club Service Chair Janet Black noted an upcoming visit by Sister Mike. Rotary scholarship applications are due and Chair Kevin Finley and the Scholarship Committee will be meeting to review the applications. Dave Nivus, Community Service chair, reminded all of the upcoming Country Breakfast and Walter Hatch updated the group on research obtained for our Community Lasting project, a town clock. Dan Hart and Renee McGrew reported for the Vocational Service Committee. Our Bethel club will be assisting with Vocational Day for area high school sophomores on Monday, March 18. Our club hopes to send four students to the RYLA Conference this year and in April, the Vocational Service Committee will be working on selecting the recipient for the annual Vocational Service Award recognized annually to a non-Rotarian in the community. With The Bethel Inn not available to us for several weeks this spring, we will be meeting at the Bethel Alliance Church with a couple rotational meetings planned. Dawna Cook, International Service

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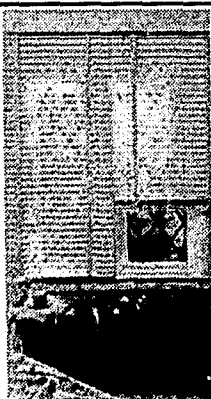
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WOODSTOCK RESIDENTS

The Annual Woodstock Town Meeting will be held on Monday, March 25, 2002 at 7:00pm at the Woodstock Elementary School. The Town Reports are now available and can be picked up at the town office.

Just a reminder that dog licenses are now overdue. There will be an additional fee of \$10.00 per dog after April 1, 2002.

Notice to Veterans

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Committee chair announced that our district will be hosting a GSE (Group Study Exchange) in May. This team of 5 will be from the Philippines and their visit will be shared with six other clubs in our area. The Group Study Exchange (GSE) Program is one of the most popular and exciting programs of The Rotary Foundation. The GSE program pairs districts to send and receive study teams. One of the attractive features of GSE is the opportunity for the visiting team members to meet, talk, and live with Rotarians and their families in a spirit of friendship and hospitality. In addition to learning about another country through visits within the community, schools, and professions, the GSE teams serve as ambassadors of goodwill. This program provides Rotarians with one of the most enjoyable, practical and meaningful ways to promote world understanding.

We have heard from our Ambassadorial Scholar, Alex Gillies in Ghana. She has been there for six months already and has started her second semester. Her classes have been keeping her busy and she has also started working on her dissertation which will be on the role of International Aid in Ghana's recent transition to democracy. She has also been busy visiting Rotary clubs. She has found that most club members have visited the United States. Ghana Rotarians seemed to be more interested in hearing her impressions of Ghana. She most recently visited a very impressive club that built a center that housed a library, handicapped school and meeting rooms. She has been able to spend some time with her classmates and friends on and off campus. February and March are the hottest months of the year there, so they have been seeking relief from the heat. Alex seems to have become at home there and mentions that some things that may have shocked or amazed her a few months ago actually seem normal now. She is looking forward to her next six months and hopes to write to us more often.

Congratulations to Cynthia Moran-Laux for having her name submitted for the PolioPlus Com-

mittee.

In May, Rotaplast Mission Director Mike Liberti will be leading his Rotaplast Team to Cochabamba, Bolivia. Thank you to Kathy Thrall and Lee Barth for their efforts in support of the Wrap-A-Smile program. Because of that program, 100 quilts from the State of Maine will be accompanying Mike and his team so they may wrap the children in these quilts when they are returned to their parents after their surgery.

Date Book Items: March 24, Country Breakfast; April 17, District Assembly; May 17-18, District 7780 Conference; June 22, Rotary Auction; June 24, Rotary Golf Tournament.

Inside Rotary: Correction — October is Vocation Service Month. Congratulations to Chad on his book.

From the

Bethel Senior Citizens

The Bethel Senior Citizens Club met March 13 at the Legion Hall in Locke Mills for their meeting and luncheon with 41 members present. Co-president Musa Brown conducted the meeting and led the salute to the flag. Reports were given by Jane Hosterman and Arlene Lowell. The 50/50 raffle was won by Mary Paine and the door prize by Shirley Lowell. Trips were discussed and the first trip will be Aug. 7 and will be a mystery ride. The next meeting will be April 10 at the Legion Hall in Gorham, N.H. Price of dinner will be \$6.95.

Musa Brown gave a reading. Entertainment was provided by Brenda Wodka, Edna York, Lindley Wieden and Jane Hosterman, which was enjoyed by all. Leah Deegan presented Betty Perkins, Pauline Wieden and Marna McGinniss with cupcakes with a candle on top in honor of their birthdays.

March birthdays are: Muriel Butters, Pauline Davis, Mildred Jackson, Mary Keniston, Marna McGinniss, Betty Perkins, George

Westleigh, Pauline Wieden, Judith Webster, Maxine Wright.

From the

Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce

As the winter of 2002 is slowly winding down, the Bethel Area Chamber staff and committee members are busy preparing for a busy spring and summer season ahead. The chamber would like to congratulate member Maine Handicapped Skiing for a very successful fundraiser this past weekend and also Mt. Abram Ski Resort for their 41st Anniversary celebration.

On April 24, the chamber, in cooperation with W.J. Wheeler Co., Inc. are pleased to be able to present Celebrating Seniors Day, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Bethel Inn Conference Center. More than 20 organizations and businesses from throughout Maine will be present to provide information to the "senior community," or anyone who aspires to be a senior someday.

The 33rd annual Bethel Area Chamber Awards Dinner, sponsored by Oxford Networks, is scheduled for Friday, May 31. If you would like to nominate someone for one of the awards, please call the chamber office at 824-2282 and we will send you a form.

In preparation for our June 15 Fishing Festival, a great group of "Androscoggin River enthusiasts" gathered at the Grand Summit Hotel at Sunday River for an informational session and luncheon, sponsored by Sunday River. Speakers from the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, the Oxford County Soil and Water Conservation District, Trout Unlimited and the Androscoggin River Watershed Council shared a wealth of information on their individual efforts to promote sustainable fishing in the river and its wa-

tershed as well as some of the restoration efforts that are ongoing. The "common denominator" of the group was that there is tremendous potential to promote this region and the Androscoggin River as a first-class fishing destination. The 2nd annual Upper Androscoggin River Fishing Fest, which is scheduled for Saturday, June 15, at Davis Park, Bethel (and June 16 throughout the area,) is being organized to provide a multitude of educational and fun exhibits and activities to showcase the river. If you are at all interested in being a part of this exciting new event, please call the chamber.

We are excited to announce and thank the following sponsors who have already agreed to support the 13th annual Bethel Art Fair, which is scheduled for Saturday, July 6, on the Bethel Common. Our Major sponsor is Coca-Cola Bottling Co. Our Premier sponsors are Maine Press Printing Co., Kendall Insurance, Portland Natural Gas Transmission Systems, the Bethel Inn and Country Club, Sunday River Ski Resort, and Northeast Bank.

Our 2002 commemorative poster will have a beautiful photograph of the Artists Covered Bridge taken by Pat Gott of Norway, as the centerpiece. Thanks to all the businesses above for their support of this great annual event.

From the

Andover Alumni Association

On March 15, the three Andover Alumni Association officers met to finalize plans for the Alumni Banquet to be held at the Pine Street Gym on May 25. Sharon Briggs Farrington, 1977, will be the supper chairperson serving baked ham and all the fixings. Members of the lower classes will act as waiters and waitresses. A social hour will begin at 5 p.m. following promptly at 6 p.m. with the dinner. Many awards will be presented to seniors

and underclassmen. Mrs. Lucy Mailloux Leduc, Blue Hill, a former teacher from 1947 to 1951 in Andover, will be a special guest. The 50-year (1952), 25-year (1977) and 10-year classes (1992) will be recognized.

An annual alumni person will be honored. The officers would like names for consideration sent to the Andover Alumni Association, P.O. Box 64, Andover, ME 04216.

For the past three years, four have been honored: Betty Schneider Moore, 1944; Beverly Akers Swan, 1958; Norma White Farrington, 1954, and her husband, Freeman Farrington, 1949.

Andover Telstar seniors for 2002 are Erika Davis, Jillian Fyberg, Francesco Gaura, Ashley Ladd, Evan Lincoln, Benjamin Sabin and Michael Sabin.

The three officers are: president-secretary, Dorothy Merrill Roberts, 1948; Violet P. Swain, vice president; and treasurer, Ronald White, 1948.

Make your plans to join your classmates on May 25.

From

Maine Handicapped Skiing

Maine Handicapped Skiing, raised \$246,000 at their 17th annual Ski-A-Thon, Saturday, March 16, at Sunday River Ski Resort and Sunday River Inn and Cross Country Ski Center.

More than 650 skiers and riders and 150 volunteers from Maine and New England participated in the Ski-A-Thon. Highlights of the Ski-A-Thon included an on-slope obstacle course, constructed by the Parrot Heads of Maine and the Maine Handicapped Skiing Fun Race underwritten by Aircast, Inc.

Two members of Maine Handicapped Skiing's newly formed race team set the times on two separate race courses for the "match-time"

fun race, Ski-A-Thons then tried to match the time set by MHS racers to win a gold medal.

The team of Northern Data Systems raised the most pledges and received the grand prize: five days skiing and four days lodging at the Canyons, an ASC resort, including round-trip airfare provided by American Airlines. Craig Cooper, the top individual fundraiser won a week's lodging at the Jordan Grand Hotel at Sunday River.

Northern Data Systems was honored by Maine Handicapped Skiing with the One Hundred and Ten Percent Award for individuals, businesses or organizations who have given extraordinary service to MHS. Northern Data Systems has been a supporter of Maine Handicapped Skiing for 20 years providing computer equipment and technical support.

Sunday River Ski Resort, longtime sponsor of Maine Handicapped Skiing, provided free lift tickets to skiers and riders at the Ski-A-Thon. Sunday River Inn and Cross Country Ski Center, home of MHS's cross-country skiing and snowshoeing program, provided passes for the cross-country skiers participating in the Ski-A-Thon.

For information on becoming a volunteer or a participant in Maine Handicapped Skiing's adaptive recreational program for adults and children with physical disabilities, please call (800) 639-7770, e-mail MHS at info@skimhs.org or log on to the MHS Web site at www.skimhs.org.

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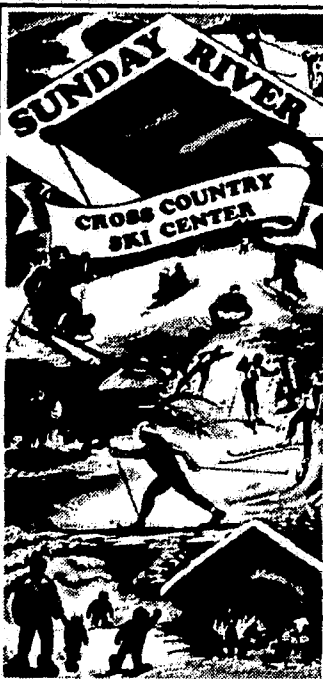
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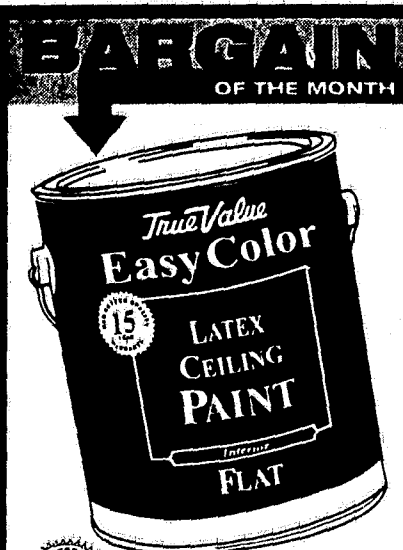
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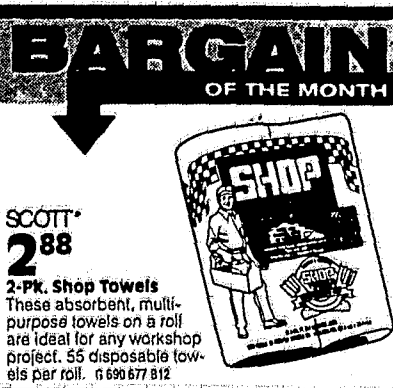
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The library would like to express its thanks to the following individuals who made gifts in February: Don and Eleanor Brooks, Phil and Faith Buell, Jack and Sue Cross in memory of Lloyd Lowell, Sandy and Scott Dennis, Jim and Bonnie Largess, Susan Parker, and Deb Weaver in memory of Terri Ainaire.

Donations to the 2002 Annual Fund will be used to fund the renovation of the stacks area and may be sent to Box 130, Bethel, ME 04217. Contributions to the library are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

By AMY CHAPMAN

Students at Gould Academy recently took part in the school's 18th annual Four Points Program, spending a week pursuing an intensive experiential education opportunity outside of the classroom. Each year in early March, following the close of the winter trimester, each of the four classes embarks on a different adventure as part of this unique program.

This year, the members of Gould's senior class were required to develop and pursue their own off-campus independent projects during the week of the Four Point Program.

The assignment was designed to allow each student to pursue a creative, artistic, vocational, or academic interest beyond the traditional school setting. Students traveled across the United States and around the world, and projects ranged from biological research in the Bahamas to the study of World War II in Normandy, France, and from a television sit-com internship to a catering apprenticeship.

Students kept a detailed daily journal, from which they will each draft a two-page personal essay. Their journals and essays will be submitted as part of their spring trimester English grade, and final drafts of each essay will be included in the 2002 Senior Point Book, which will provide reference and inspiration for next year's senior class as they begin to plan their own independent Four Point projects.

As they have each year since the inception of the Four Point Program in 1985, the junior class participated in an eight-day winter mountaineering experience in the nearby White Mountains. In groups of eight or nine students, they hiked, snowshoed, camped, and received extensive instruction in outdoor skills from experienced faculty members.

Their trip also included a 24-hour "solo" experience, during which they separated from the group (but were monitored by the faculty). During the last three days, the students themselves were given the responsibility for directing their trip, and were required to navigate, cook, set up shelters, and arrange to get themselves to the designated pick-up location on time.

Sophomores spent the week on the Gould Academy campus, where they participated in several days of creative workshops with four visiting artists. Crystal Cawley of Portland taught the craft of book-making, and each student created his or her own unique book, using a variety of techniques and materials.

Sculptor Nantz Comyns-Toohey of Scarborough worked with students to create a life-sized moose and several sheep from sticks, chicken wire, and recycled wood and paper. Furniture maker Wayne Hall of Orland helped workshop participants build two rustic benches from ash planks and unpeeled red maple saplings.

Students who worked with mosaic artist Leigh Cohen of Asheville, N.C. collaborated to produce a mural comprised of mosaic tiles in motifs that represent images from northern New England.

The entire freshman class, together with their faculty chaperones, traveled to Droyssig, Germany to experience the history and culture of a foreign country. They stayed in the homes of host families, while visiting several German cities and national landmarks.

In previous years, the freshman class has traveled to Hungary, the Dominican Republic, England, and Canada. The visit to Germany was part of an ongoing cultural exchange between Gould Academy and the Jugenddorf-Christophorus School in Droyssig.

The Four Points Program is made possible through fundraising efforts at Gould's annual Fall Parents' Weekend Auction.

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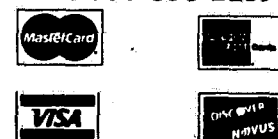
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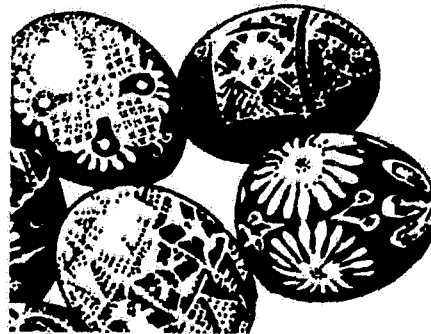
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THURSDAY EVENING MARCH 21, 2002										
7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
(3) News	Frasier	WWF Smackdown!		Ent. Tonight	Frasier	5th Wheel	Shipmates			
(32) Videos	Who's the Boss?	Who's the Boss?	Who's the Boss?	Who's the Boss?	Who's the Boss?	Who's the Boss?	Who's the Boss?	Who's the Boss?	Who's the Boss?	Who's the Boss?
(6) Hollywood	Seinfeld	Friends	Leap	Will-Grace	Just Shoot	ER	News			
(8) Fortune	Jeopardy!	Figure Skating: World Championships					News			
(10) News-Lehrer	Maine	Made In	Great Performances				Charlie Rose			
(22) Sportscenter	Baseball	Thrill-Spill	Thrill-Spill	Boxing: Hector Camacho, Jr. vs. Omar Weiss			Sportscenter			
(34) Mad TV	Mad TV	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Movie: "Kickboxer"				Star Trek: Next Gener.			
(13) Friends	College Basketball: NCAA South or West Semi. - Teams TBA			College Basketball: NCAA Regional Semi.						
(41) NBA Action	Last Word	Best Damn Sports Show Period								
(15) "Life With Mikey" Cont'd	Movie: "The Patriot"						Size Matters			
(17) Movie: "Alley Cats Strike!"	Movie: "Up, Up and Away"						Movie: "Going Ape!"			
(18) "Never Say Never Again" Cont'd	Movie: "Monkeybone"						Movie: "Animal Factory"			
(20) Bruins	NHL Hockey: Boston Bruins at Buffalo Sabres			Front Row - Bill Russell			ESPNNews			
(44) Intimate Portrait	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: "Reason for Living: The Jill Ireland Story"					Golden			
(5) Friends	Roseanne	Movie: "The Devil's Advocate"					Movie: "Shoot to Kill"			
(24) Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Spongebob	Ginger	Cosby	Cosby	Cheers	Cheers	All in Family	All in Family	
(25) Indiana Jones	Movie: "Raiders of the Lost Ark"			Soreen			"Guess Who's Coming to Dinner"			
(26) JAG	Nash Bridges	Movie: "The Jackal"					JAG			
(27) American Justice	Biography	Movie: "Home Alone 2: Lost in New York"					Shackleton			
(12) Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "Just Another Secret"					News			
(39) Wolf Blitzer	Crossfire	Live From... The Point		Larry King Live		Newsnight		Crossfire		Moneyline

FRIDAY EVENING MARCH 22, 2002										
7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
(3) News	Frasier	Under One Roof		Amazing Race 2		Ent. Tonight	Frasier	5th Wheel	Shipmates	
(32) Videos	State	Jim	Alas			Who's the Boss?	Who's the Boss?	Who's the Boss?	Who's the Boss?	Who's the Boss?
(6) Hollywood	Seinfeld	Providence	Dateline			Law & Order	News			
(8) Fortune	Jeopardy!	Funnies Home Videos	Funnies Home Videos			20/20	News			
(10) News-Lehrer	Wash Wk	Wall St.	Keeping Up	One Foot	Darling Buds of May		Charlie Rose			
(22) Sportscenter	Figure Skating: World Championships			Chicago Dog Show	Baseball		Sportscenter			
(34) Mad TV	Conspire	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Star Trek: Next Gener.		Star Trek: Next Gener.			
(13) Friends	College Basketball: NCAA East or Midwest Semi. - Teams TBA			College Basketball: NCAA Regional Semi.						
(41) Sports	NBA Basketball: Philadelphia 76ers at Boston Celtics			Postgame	Best Damn Sports Show Period					
(15) Movie: "Meet the Parents" Cont'd	Showtime	Movie: "Cast Away"					Dennis M.			
(17) Proud	Lizzie	Movie: "Zenon: The Zequel"					Movie: "Phantom of the Megaplex"			
(18) "Red Planet" Cont'd	Movie: "Eye for an Eye"						Movie: "Desert Saints"			
(20) TBA	Women's College Hockey: NCAA Division I Semifinal - Teams to Be Announced						ESPNNews			
(44) Mad About You	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: "Survival on the Mountain"					Once and Again			
(5) Friends	Roseanne	Movie: "Wyatt Earp"								
(24) Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Spongebob	Chalk Zone	Oddparents	Invader Zim	Cosby	Cosby	Cheers	Cheers	
(25) Three Stooges	Movie: "Hud"					Cinema	Movie: "True Grit"			
(26) JAG	Combat Missions	Movie: "Lake Placid"					The Island of Dr. Moreau			
(27) American Justice	Biography	Gonillas: Primal Contact					Law & Order			
(12) Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "The Air Up There"					News			
(39) Wolf Blitzer	Crossfire	Stories	The Point	Larry King Live		Newsnight		Crossfire		Moneyline

SATURDAY EVENING MARCH 23, 2002										
7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
(3) Fortune	NHL Hockey: Boston Bruins at Florida Panthers					Jeopardy!	Star Trek: Voyager			
(32) Movie: "Dances With Wolves" Cont'd						Vanished	Movie: "Nell"			
(6) Maine	Seinfeld	UC: Undercover	UC: Undercover			Law & Order	News	Sat. Night		
(8) Fortune	Jeopardy!	Figure Skating: World Championships					News	Buffy		
(10) Made In	Opinion	Antiques Roadshow UK	Time Goes	Barbara	Now With Bill Moyers		Red Green	Red Green		
(22) Women's College Basketball				Women's College Basketball			Sportscenter	Basketball		
(34) Bull Riding	Monster Jam	Robot Wars	Robot Wars	WWF Excess			WWF Excess Late Night			
(13) College Basketball: NCAA Regional Final				Agency			District	News	Andromeda	
(41) Last Word	Major League Soccer: Revolution at MetroStars			See This	See This	See This	Beyond the Glory			
(15) Brinye Spars Live	Movie: "Say It Isn't So"						Movie: "Get Carter"			
(17) Proud	Lizzie	Movie: "Leave It to Beaver"					Movie: "Beetlejuice"			
(19) "Finding Forester"	Movie: "Tigerland"						Movie: "X-Men"			
(20) Front Row - Bill Russell	Wild World of Winter			ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	
(44) Movie: "In Cold Blood"							Mad	Mad		
(5) Movie: "Dead in a Heartbeat"							Joe Versus the Volcano			
(24) Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	All That	Amanda	Taina	Nick	Cosby	Cosby	Cheers	Cheers	
(25) "Save the Tiger" Cont'd	Movie: "On the Waterfront"						Movie: "The African Queen"			
(26) Movie: "Lake Placid"							Movie: "The Rage: Carrie 2"			
(27) Law & Order	New York at the Movies						Child Stars: Their Story			
(12) Fam. Mat.	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "Past Midnight"					MacGyver	Fresh Pr.	Universal	
(39) Capital Gang	CNN Presents	Larry King Weekend					CNN Saturday Night		Capital Gang	

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Seniors Lunch every Tuesday and Thursday, 11:30 a.m., at Bethel Methodist Church, Main Street, sponsored by SeniorsPlus. Donation for 60 and older and spouses, \$2.50; all other guests, \$4. Come alone or bring a friend. Reservations are important. For information, menus, reservations, call 824-3168 (also the number to call to apply for Meals on Wheels).

8:30 to 9:30 a.m. — Water Aerobics at Bethel Inn — Monday, Wednesday, Friday mornings. Call 875-2065 for more information.

Mondays, 5:15 to 6:15 p.m. — Tai Chi classes at Harper Conference Room/Ripley Medical Building, South Paris, taught by Betsy Foster, MPH. Eight weeks. To register, call 875-2426.

9 a.m. — Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge at Town and Country Mobile Home Park community center, Norway. All bridge players invited to attend and bring a friend or two. Refreshments. For more information, call Mimi Bell (743-8081) or Rowena Palmer (743-2882) or e-mail bridge@mega-link.net

Thursday, March 21
7 p.m. — Pineland Ski Club meeting at Andover Town Hall. Call Leon Akers for more information (392-3157).

7 p.m. — Public Forum on Bethel 2003 Committee proposed development regulations at Teistar Regional High School library.

6 p.m. — Potluck Supper at Wilkins House in Waterford. Bring a dish to share. All welcome.

9 a.m. — Western Maine Small Woodland Owners Association (SWAOM) will host a tour of Bethel Furniture Stock's modern hardwood mill and wood-bending operations located two miles west of Bethel on Route 2. After the tour, Norm Beane of Columbia Forest Products will discuss veneer oak. Attendees encouraged to bring hearing protection and safety glasses. Coffee and doughnuts provided.

Saturday, March 23
11 a.m. to 4 p.m. — Celebrating Fatherhood, Father and Child Events snow tubing at Mt. Abram Ski Resort, Locke Mills, sponsored by Community Concepts. Free and open to public. For more information or to sign up, call Jonathan Goldberg (824-3459) or Sally Goddard (743-7716).

2 and 7 p.m. — "The Sword Called Excalibur" featuring over 50 local children will be presented at Crescent Park School, Bethel. Advance tickets may be purchased at any of the three SAD44 elementary schools and at local businesses in all towns. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students or \$5 and \$7 at the door. For further information, call any of the three schools. Audience is invited to bring cameras for photo session following play. No flash photos during presentation.

8 to 11:30 p.m. — Old-time Dance at Locke Mills Town Hall, Locke Mills with music by the Richard Fell Orchestra. Proceeds benefit Greenwood Historical Society.

8 to 11 a.m. — Bethel Recreation placements for baseball and softball will take place at Gould Academy's gymnasium. Permission slip may be obtained at Bethel Town Office and must be returned on or before April along with copy of child's birth certificate or other proof of birth. Registration fee: \$10 per player or \$15 per family for Bethel residents and \$15 and \$20 for nonresidents.

1 to 3 p.m. — Rabies Clinic at Municipal Building, 366 Valley Road, Waterford. Cost: \$9 per pet.

The West Paris Athletic Association signs up for summer baseball and softball teams will be held at the West Paris Fire Station on Saturday, March 23 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Tuesday, March 26 from 7 to 8:30 p.m.; and Saturday, March 30 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost is \$20. Contact Clay Wilson at 674-3541 for more information.

Support Services

REACH
Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

Exchanges
District Exchange Community Thrift Shop accepts donations of in-season clothing in clean, wearable condition only. Drop-off hours and shopping: Monday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Thursday 4 to 6 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Woodstock Seventh Day Adventist Church Community Service Center announces that individuals or families requiring assistance with food needs in the South Woodstock, Bryant Pond, West Paris and Sumner areas are invited to call 674-2566, 674-2663, or 665-2226 to learn more details.

Abused Women's Advocacy Project
AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5806; 24-hour hotline 1-800-559-2927.

Alcohol/Drug Treatment
Gateway Recovery Services—Outpatient counseling services available at Bethel Family Health Center, Mondays and Wednesdays. For info, call 207-743-7580.

Veterans' Services
(State/JVA Benefits)
Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, first and third Wednesday each month, 9 to 12 noon (743-6300); Rumford Employ. Sec. Bldg. (364-3718), second and fourth Thursday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon; Lewiston (795-4590), 200 Main St., 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday thru Friday; location: Monday-Sunday School 2:45-4:15 p.m., Tel. 392-4841. (new members welcome)

Mental Health Support Group
Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional or physical illness, provides support, relaxation and socialization. Monday, 1 to 5 p.m.; Tuesday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Thursday, 3 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday, 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call 364-3549 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays or (800) 335-9999 off hours. 928-3222.

Library Hours

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 1-4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6 to 8 p.m. Tel. 392-4841.
Bethel Library: Monday, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Tuesday, 1-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1-8 p.m.; Thursday 1-5 p.m.; Friday, 1-8 p.m.; Saturday, 9-1 p.m. Story Hour Mondays, 10-11 a.m. October to May. Michelle Conroy, Librarian. 824-2520.

Crescent Park Elementary School: Open every Thursday evening from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. to the public.
Hamlin Memorial Library, Paris Hill: Tuesday-Friday, 11:30-5:30; Saturday, 10-2; Wednesday evening, 7-9 p.m. Tel. 743-2980.

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel. 665-2505. Library hours: Tues., 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Wed., 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Thurs., 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Fri., 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

West Paris Library, West Paris: Monday 1:30-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1:30-7 p.m.; Friday, 1:30-5 p.m. 674-2004.
Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hallowell: Wednesday, 10-12 through July and August. Story
Upton Library: Saturdays 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Sunday, March 24
7:30 to 11 a.m. — Bethel Rotary Club Country Breakfast at Ordway Hall, Gould Academy. Tickets (\$5 for adults/\$2.50 for under 12) are available from any Bethel Rotarian or at the door. Proceeds will benefit Rotary's local scholarship program and international projects.

Wednesday, March 27
7 p.m. — "A History of the Androscoggin River" by Paul McGurie, a program presented by Mahoosuc Land Trust at Gould Academy's Ordway Hall. Open to the public and free. For more information, call 824-3806.

7 p.m. — "A Knight for Dark Days: Raymond Chandler and His Detective Philip Marlowe," a lecture/book discussion led by Ingrid Graff at New Hampshire Community Technical College Fortier Library, Berlin, N.H. Focus will be on Raymond Chandler's novel "The Big Sleep." Refreshments. For more information, call (603) 752-5210 or (603) 752-1113.

Thursday, March 28
7 p.m. — Bethel Area Poets Society reading at Black Bear Inn, Sunday River Road, Newry. For more information, call Rockie Graham at 824-3427.

6:30 p.m. — Friends of Teistar High School will meet in the Teistar library. This is a great opportunity to hear about and see some of the Great Expectations projects that seniors have created. Underclassmen, parents and community members are encouraged to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Until 5:30 p.m. — Daffodil Days at Bethel Foodliner. Bouquets include 10 flowers for \$6. Proceeds benefit American Cancer Society.

Friday, March 29
7 p.m. (doors open 6:30 p.m.) — Jonathan Edwards, folk singer, will be featured at Oddfellow Theater, Route 117, Buckfield. Tickets: \$20 in advance by calling the theater at 336-3306 (Visa and Mastercard accepted), or \$22 at door.

Saturday, March 30
10 to 12 a.m. — Easter Egg Hunt and Party at Newry Grange, sponsored by the Newry Mothers Club. Any child that wishes to join the fun must bring an Easter basket. Help is needed for this day; if interested, please call Patty Lowell at 824-2860.

Tuesday, April 2
12 noon — West Paris Senior Citizens luncheon meeting at Market Square Restaurant, South Paris.

Thursday, April 4
Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens meeting at Franklin Grange Hall.

April 4, 5, 6 and 7
7:30 p.m. (April 4-5-6) and 1:30 p.m. (April 7) — "Anything Goes," the School-Community Broadway Musical, will be presented at Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School auditorium, South Paris. The price is \$7 and \$9. For more information, call 743-8914, ext 1015.

Monthly Meetings

First Sunday: Bethel Snow Twisters Club meets at Clayton Crockett's at 7 p.m. September through April.
Greenstock Snow Sports Snowmobile Club meets at the Greenwood Town Office at 9 a.m.

Windy Valleys Snowmobile Club meeting at Newry Town Office.
Second Sunday: Western Maine Mountain Trail Mixers ATV Club meets at 6:30pm at Sun Valley Sports, 129 Sunday River Road, Bethel. New members welcome.

Every Sunday: Western Mountains Meditation Group, Center for Natural Healing, 47 Pioneer Street, West Paris, 9:30 a.m. 674-3961.
Bethel Freedom Group AA meeting, 610 7 p.m. ST/BB at Bethel Fire Station.

First Monday: Greenwood Planning Board meets at Town Office, 7 p.m.
First and Third Monday: Bethel Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Newry Fire Department monthly meetings: first Monday, 7 p.m., at Sunday River Station; third Monday, 7 p.m., Bear River Station.
Franklin Grange #124, 7:00p.m., call 674-3046 or 674-3962 for more info.

Second Monday: Newry Mother's Club meets, 7:30 p.m. Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1 Grover Tent #17, Ellis River Riders meet at Andover Fire Station, 7 p.m.

Third Monday: Greenwood Comprehensive Planning Committee meets at town office, 7 p.m.
Second and Fourth Monday: SAD44 Board of Directors meets in Bethel, Woodstock or Andover at 7:30 p.m. Call 824-2185 for place.

Gilead Fire Department meets at the Fire Station at 7 p.m.
Every Monday: Mahoosuc Music Makers rehearsal, 7-9 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church (downstairs).

First Tuesday: Woodstock Planning Board meets at 7 p.m. at Town Office.
Upton selectmen meet at 7 p.m. at Town Office.
Western Maine Knitters Guild meets at Christ Church, Norway, 10 a.m. to noon.

First and Third Tuesday: The Greater Rumford Alliance for the Mentally Ill-Children and Adolescent Network (GRAM-CAN) Support, education and advocacy. Meets in the former St. John's rectory from 6:30-8 p.m. in Rumford. Contact Diane at 369-0542.
Bethel Area Promise Keepers, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

FACTS (Family/Friends And Consumers Together for Support) 6:30-8 p.m. at Ethel Bisbee Adult Learning Center, Contact Rhonda at 824-3076.
Greenwood selectmen meet at Town Office, 5 p.m.

Second Tuesday: Mundt-Allen Post, American Legion, meeting at 7:30 p.m. Supper starts at 6:30 p.m.
Teistar Alumni Association meets in the guidance conference room. Ladies' Bible Fellowship, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

Second and Fourth Tuesday: The Bethel Lions Club meets at the Rebel Family Restaurant, West Bethel at 6:30pm.
Third Tuesday: Pine Tree Legal Assistance at Bethel Area Health Center, starting at 10 a.m.

Every Tuesday: Bethel Rotary Club meets at The Bethel Inn, 7:30 a.m.
Andover Board of Selectmen meets at the Town office, 7 p.m.
Newry Board of Selectmen meets at the Town office, 9 a.m.

Cross-Country Quilters will meet at the Robinson House or Bethel Library from 9 to 11am except the last Tuesday of each month the meeting will be from 7 to 9pm.
Cub Scout Pack 566 meeting, 6 p.m., at Crescent Park School Cafeteria.

Mollycoddett Chorus practice, 6:30-9 p.m. at Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Skeetfield Rd., Oxford (Call 824-2468 for info).
First Wednesday: Greenwood Historical Society meets at the Society Building, Main St., Locke Mills, 7 p.m.

Bethel Area Arachnes Spinning Group, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church, Potluck luncheon.
Second Wednesday: Gilead selectmen meet at Town Office, 7 p.m. Tax collector also holds hours.

Sunday, April 7
SAD44 Community Day at Sunday River Ski Resort. Free lift tickets, free rentals and complimentary clinics for first-time skiers and riders. Residents may tube and ice skate at White Cap Fun Center. Children participating must be on a district list provided by the superintendent. Adults may show a driver's license tax bill or other official document to prove residency.

7 p.m. — "Vernal Pools" will be presented by Sally Stockwell, director of conservation at Maine Audubon Society at Gould Academy's Ordway Hall, sponsored by the Mahoosuc Land Trust. Open to the public and free. For more information, call 824-3806.

Tuesday, April 9
4:30 to 6:30 p.m. — Celebrating Fatherhood, Father and Child Events play/crafts time and dinner at Gail Riley Center, High Street, South Paris, sponsored by Community Concepts. Free and open to public. For more information or to sign up, call Jonathan Goldberg (824-3459) or Sally Goddard (743-7716).

Wednesday, April 10
7 p.m. — "Never Such Innocence Again: World War I and the Literary Response," a lecture/book discussion led by Ingrid Graff at New Hampshire Community Technical College Fortier Library, Berlin, N.H. Focus will be on Pat Barker's book, "Regeneration." Refreshments. For more information, call (603) 752-5210 or (603) 752-1113.

11 a.m. — Bethel Senior Citizens Club meeting at the Legion Hall in Gorham, N.H. Price of dinner will be \$6.95.

Thursday, April 11
10 a.m. — Whitman Memorial Library Book Discussion Group will meet with Dean B. Bennett, author of "The Wilderness from Chamberlain Farm: A Story of Hope for the American Wild." All are welcome to attend.

Saturday, April 13
5:30 p.m. — Benefit Supper and Dance for Kenny Pulsifer at the Legion Hall in Locke Mills. Dance will be 8 p.m. to midnight with Rockin' Road Runners Band providing the music. Tickets: supper — \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children 12 and under; dance — \$16 per couple, \$9 for single. For more information or tickets, call Dorene Wilbur at 674-2346.

Thursday, April 18
7 p.m. — Poetry Reading (in honor of National Poetry month) by New Hampshire poet and Plymouth State college writing faculty member Rick Agran, whose book of poetry is titled "Crow Milk," at New Hampshire Community Technical College Fortier Library, Berlin, N.H. Refreshments. For more information, call (603) 752-5210 or (603) 752-1113.

Saturday, April 20
10 to 12 a.m. — Celebrating Fatherhood, Father and Child Events Learn to Juggle at Rowe School, Norway, sponsored by Community Concepts. Free and open to public. For more information or to sign up, call Jonathan Goldberg (824-3459) or Sally Goddard (743-7716).

Wednesday, April 24
10 a.m. to 2 p.m. — Celebrating Seniors Day at the Bethel Inn Conference Center.

Saturday, May 18
9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. — Celebrating Fatherhood, Father and Child Events canoe trip down Androscoggin from Gilead to Bethel, sponsored by Community Concepts. Free and open to public. For more information or to sign up, call Jonathan Goldberg (824-3459) or Sally Goddard (743-7716).

Saturday, May 25
Annual Andover Alumni Banquet — 5 p.m. social hour, 6 p.m. dinner at the Pine Street Gym in Andover.

Friday, May 31
33rd annual Bethel Area Chamber Awards Dinner, sponsored by Oxford Networks.

Saturday, June 8
11 a.m. to 2 p.m. — Celebrating Fatherhood, Father and Child Events barbecue picnic at Stony Brook Recreation and Campground, Route 2, Hanover, sponsored by Community Concepts. Free and open to public. For more information or to sign up, call Jonathan Goldberg (824-3459) or Sally Goddard (743-7716).

Church Services

Bethel

Bethel Alliance Church—Rev. Rick Mowery, 10:00 a.m. worship. Sunday School at 9:00 a.m. Evening fellowship and youth ministries 6:00pm, Sundays. Prayer fellowship 7:00 p.m. Wednesdays.

Church of the Nazarene—Pastor Chuck Mason, 9:30 a.m. Sunday school (2 hours, including recreation activities; call 824-4028 for transportation). 10:30 a.m. morning worship. 6 p.m. evening service. 824-4028 (voice mail) or 824-7289 for more info.

West Parish Congregational—Rev. Brendon Bass and Rev. Jean Bass, 10:30 a.m. worship and church school. Nursery care provided. Prayer, Tues., 8 a.m.

Our Lady of the Snows—Mass—Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Starting Dec. 8, please note the time change. 743-2606. Pastor Father Maurice Lebel 743-2606.

United Methodist—Rev. Walter Brown, Pastor, 10 a.m. Sunday worship. Rainbow Church School, 3-5 p.m. Thursdays (all ages welcome).

West Bethel Union—Rev. John Williams, 9 a.m. worship and church school. For info. call 836-2844 or 836-2882.

Pleasant Valley Bible—Pastor Clifford McMillen, 9 a.m. Sunday school. 10 a.m. worship. 836-2828.

Episcopal House Church—For more information, call 824-2913.

Church of Christ—at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mill Road (Rt. 26), Bethel. Worship at 10 a.m. Sunday, Bible study at 11 a.m. 824-3577.

Mahoosuc Mountain Friends—a worship group meeting in the unprogrammed tradition of Friends (Quakers)—Sunday 9:30 a.m. at 558 E. Bethel Rd. Newcomers welcome. First Day School activities provided for children. Call Marie Hickey (875-2257) for more info.

Worldwide Church of God—10:30 a.m. first, second (third and fifth) Saturday each month. Services held in the dining hall of the West Parish Congregational Church. Contact: George Weber, 892-0779

Woodstock

Bryant Pond Baptist—Rev. Peter Laitres, Sundays: Sunday School 9:15am; Adult Bible Fellowship 9:15am; Morning Worship 10:30am; Choir Practice 4:45pm; Evening Preaching Service 6:00pm. Wednesdays: Patch the Pirate Club 6:30pm; Prayer Meeting and Bible Study 6:30pm.

Unitarian Universalist—Services will be suspended until Easter when we will resume the first and third Sundays.

Woodstock Seventh-day Adventist—Pastor Richard Wright (207-797-9678), Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school. 11 a.m. worship service.

Pinhook Meeting House (Rt. 232, North Woodstock)—Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome.

Andover

First Congregational Church—Pastor Jane Rich. 10 a.m. Sunday worship service. Religious education: Monday-Sunday School 2:45-4:15 p.m.

Calvary Congregational Church—Pastor John O'Keefe. Winter hours: Sunday School 9:30am, Sunday AM worship 10:45am, Sunday PM praise 6:30pm, Wednesday bible study and prayer meeting 6:45pm, Thursday Men's Discipleship 7:00pm, Friday Awana clubs: Sparks 3:30-5:00, Big 4 Clubs 6-8 pm. Contact church for schedule of Ladies Discipleship and bible study groups. Route 5, S. Andover. 392-1121.

Gorham, N.H.

Assembly of God—Pastor Paul Leiven. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible study 7 p.m. (603-466-2851).

Locke Mills

Locke Mills Union—Rev. Deborah M. Jenks, 9 a.m. worship and Sunday school.

East Stoneham

Oxford County United Parish—Rev. George Frobig, 10 a.m. worship; Sunday School 10:00am at North Waterford Church through winter months.

Newry

Newry Community Church—Sunday worship service, 9 a.m. Rodney H. Hanscom, pastor. (Services in the church will resume in April)

Albany

Congregational Church—Hunt's Corner, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 Thursdays at the church.

Norway/Paris

Christian Science Society (9 Stevens St.)—Sunday Service 10 a.m., Wed. Testimony Service 7:30 p.m. Call 824-4099 for info.

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church—Route 117N, S. Paris, Pastor Tom Teichmann. Sunday Morning Service 9 a.m. with coffee fellowship immediately after.

North Paris Federation—Morse Hill Road, North Paris. Sunday Service: 8 a.m. Pastor Bruce Tyner. 674-2968

Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers)—Sunday worship 9:30 a.m., Children's program, 9:40 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris. Call 583-2780 for more information.

Christ Episcopal Church—35 Paris St. Sunday services at 8 and 10 a.m.; Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. Rev. Anne Stanley. Call 743-6782 for more information.

Rumford Center

Praise Assembly of God—Pastor James Michaels. Sunday School 9:00am, Sunday worship service at 10:00am. Sunday prayer meeting at 6:00pm. Wednesday night bible study at 7:00pm. East Andover Rd. For more information, call 364-3856.

Rumford Point

Rumford Point Church—Sunday service, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Rev. Deborah Jenks.

West Paris

Unitarian Universalist Church of West Paris—UU Rev. Joy Gasta, 9 a.m. worship (Sept.-mid-June). 674-2365.

West Paris Baptist—Sunday Worship 9 a.m., Bruce Tyner, PastorAdult Education and Sunday School 10:15 a.m., Sunday evening worship with Bible reading 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday evening prayer meeting and Bible study, 7 p.m. (First Sunday of each month, Singspiration alternating between North Paris Federated and West Paris Baptist).

West Paris Congregational Church—Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday Worship 11 a.m., Sunday School 10 a.m.

Sumner

East Sumner Congregational—Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m.

Sunday River Skiway

Sunday River Christian Ministry — Rev Don Coverdale. On mountain interdenominational worship service every Sunday December 30 to March 23 at 10:30 a.m. Located on second floor of the River House - green building just beyond South Ridge Base Lodge. Sunday River Trolley service available or ski to the River House. Special services: Easter Sunrise, Columbus Day Weekend, Thanksgiving, and Christmas Eve. Call 846-5896 for more information.

Items for the Community Calendar may be brought to The Bethel Citizen office, mailed in or phoned in at 824-2444. The deadline is Monday noon.

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Eames Sampler, which has served as an inspiration for a kit to create one like that in the society's collection. The kit is currently on sale in the Museum Shop.

The original Lucy Eames Sampler was originally stitched in 1841 — more than 150 years ago. Born in 1827, Lucy Russell Eames was fourteen when she created this example of folk art. The daughter of "Captain" Luther and Abigail Russell Eames of North Bethel, Maine, she was only twenty-one years old at the time of her death in 1949. Lucy and her family lived in the "Locke Neighborhood" of Bethel and are buried in the nearby Mt. Will Cemetery.

Samplers have traditionally served many purposes in the education of young girls. Working on a sampler taught the alphabet, provided a creative outlet, and helped with the mastery of stitching. In the sampler, chain stitches are used for the window and chimney detail. The texture of the strawberries on the border is achieved by stitching one thread of floss over one thread of fabric to create diminutive cross stitches. Both the strawberry/vine border and pine tree are typical of the locale. The weeping willow was often used as a symbol of mourning and to memorialize a departed loved one.

The original sampler was stitched on cotton gauze fabric with cotton embroidery floss. The reproduction kit, measuring about 12 x 14 inches is stitched on even weave tea-dyed Monaco fabric and cotton floss. The colors are matched to the original sampler. The kit is available in the society's Museum Shop,



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Northeast Bank, via its wholly owned subsidiary, Northeast Financial Services, has recently acquired the Kendall Insurance Agency in Bethel. Kendall has been serving Western Maine since 1958. Pictured at the closing are, (from left): Colleen Boyd, Don Lunn, Jannine Buck, Dan Pattee (Bethel branch manager), Ron Kendall, Scott Dennis, Jackie Plante, Dave Salway, and Kelly Stone. Jim Delamater, bank president and CEO, said, "Our company is pleased to add the Kendall Insurance Agency and their customers and we look forward to maintaining the high standards of personal service that this insurance agency has delivered for many years. The Kendall Agency will bring additional resources and an experienced staff to our team."

which is open Tuesday through Friday, 1 to 4 p.m. at the Robinson House throughout the year. Those wishing to visit the shop at other times are urged to call the society office at 824-2908 or (800) 824-2910 to make an appointment.

Anyone wishing a complimentary issue of The Courier should call the numbers above or write P.O. Box 12, Bethel, ME 04217-0012 or info@bethelhistorical.org

From the
Mundt-Allen Post

Jeri Brooks Greenwell of Bethel

attended the American Legion Auxiliary's 21st annual Awareness Assembly, on Sunday, March 10 to Wednesday, March 13, in the nation's capital.

The national meeting had an estimated attendance of 400 members and highlighted the organization's programs, projects and legislative initiatives.

Brooks, a member of Mundt-Allen Auxiliary Unit 81, serves as National Security vice chairman.

The Bethel unit donated \$150 toward the Legion's Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (TAPS). Kim Shannon produced a musical tape of patriotic clips and

narration of Sept. 11. Proceeds from the tape, donated to the unit, subsidized the contribution.

The Bethel post was also recognized in the Legion's National News magazine for its role in serving a meal to New York City Firefighters who visited the area in early February.

From the
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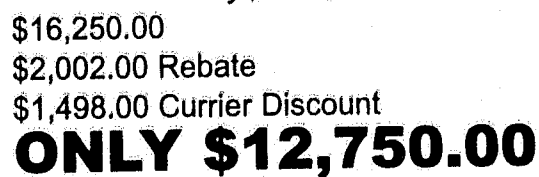
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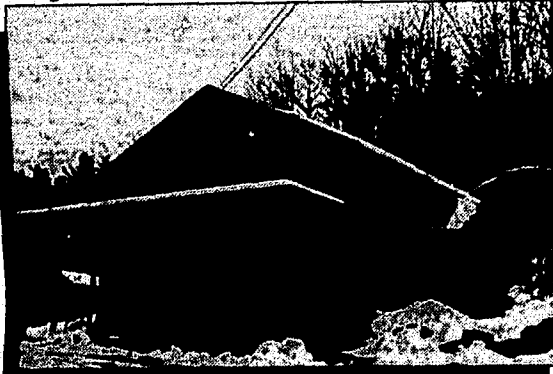
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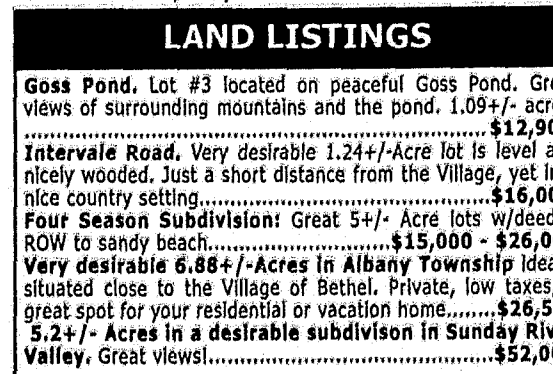
LOG SIDED RAISED RANCH: Built in 1997, this raised ranch is privately situated and features a spacious kitchen/living area with cathedral ceiling, wrap around deck and cedar log siding. Full daylight basement with one car garage under and detached heated workshop/garage. Great mountain views. **\$109,000**



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BETHEL VILLAGE 4 FAMILY: Located on a quiet residential street in the Village of Bethel, this tastefully restored property offers a number of possibilities and the floor plan provides a number of options. Currently featuring 2 one bedroom apartments and 2 two bedroom apartments plus a large three story barn with unlimited possibilities. Beautiful woodwork, flooring, enclosed glass porches. Don't hesitate on this well priced property. **\$219,000**



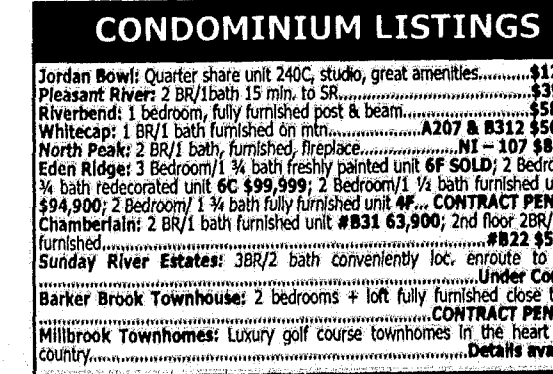
HISTORIC 1858 HOMESTEAD: Located in the picturesque Village of Waterford, this spacious 7 to 8 bedroom home has many fine features and beautiful rooms. Stone walls, brook, and perennial gardens surround this lovely home. Close to area lakes, hiking, skiing, shopping, etc. **\$399,000**



VIKING VILLAGE AT SUNDAY RIVER: Located on a prime lot at the base of Sunday River Ski Resort, this property features a beautiful stone fireplace, newly remodeled kitchen with maple cabinets, four bedrooms, deck, fully furnished. Great rental history. **\$179,000**



CONVENIENT CONTEMPORARY HOME: Located close to the Village, yet on a nice secluded lot on Paradise Road, this spacious five bedroom home has many fine details. Formal dining room and living room with fireplace, sun room overlooking an above ground pool. Three car oversized garage. Farm pond, nicely landscaped yard. **\$429,000**



SPACIOUS FAMILY HOME: Located just outside the Village of Bethel on a nice wooded lot. The main house has a nice spacious floor plan, three to four bedrooms, office, family room. The lower level has a spacious one bedroom apartment. Great year round residence or a great ski house. **\$169,000**

RARE IN-TOWN HOME: Located on quiet dead end street. This home has a nice open floor plan offering 3 plus bedrooms, hardwood floors, spacious kitchen. Separate 2 car garage. **\$87,500**

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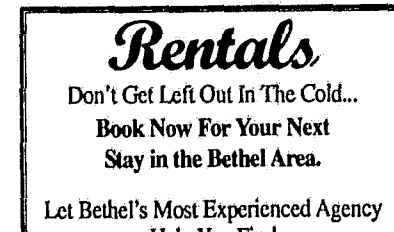
Mt Abram: Quiet and comfortable condos overlooking Mt. Abram. Immaculate turnkey unit has two baths, and cozy woodstove. Great rental history. **\$74,900**



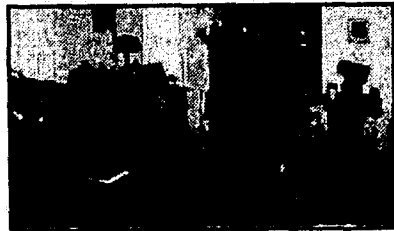
Woodstock: 14 acres of wooded land overlooking Route 26 make this a great homesite with privacy, yet close to everything. **\$34,000**



Monkey Brook Road: Location, views, and luxury appointments - (sauna, large Jacuzzi, 2 fireplaces and hardwood floors - make this fully furnished duplex an outstanding buy. **\$225,000**



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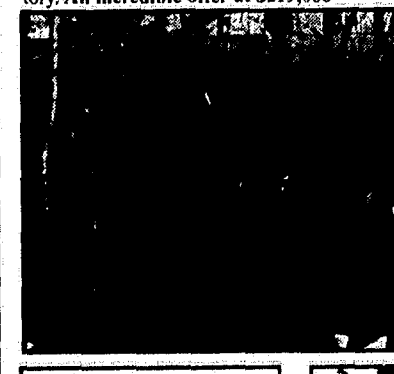
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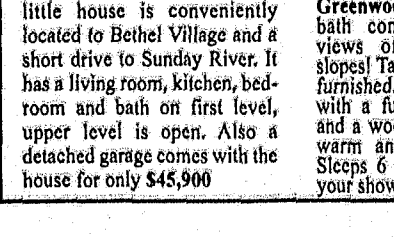
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Route 26, Bryant Pond: This wonderful home and guest house is situated deep in the woods on 80+/- acres and is a property you must see. The main house has a lower level office, living space with fireplace. Upper level has 3 bedrooms, full bath, slate floors and multiple lots. The guest house has 1 bedroom plus a loft, kitchen with fireplace and 1/2 bath. It also has a great rental history. An incredible offer at **\$219,000**

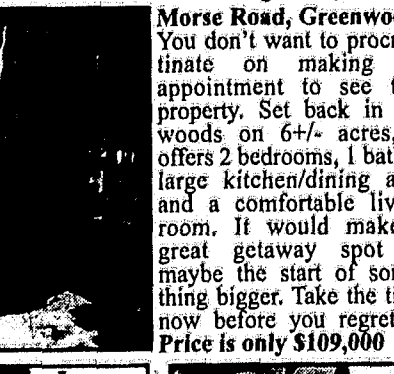


Rumford Point: This house has a laundry room and bath on the first floor. On the second floor there is 1 bath and 2 large bedrooms. A large back yard has a new 8x12 shed. Convenient to area ski resorts and Bethel Village. **\$54,900**

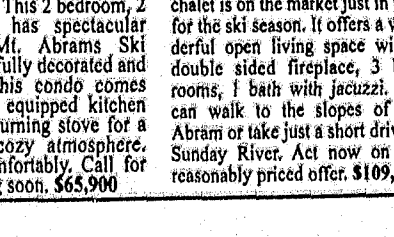


Vernon Street, Bethel: This little house is conveniently located to Bethel Village and a short drive to Sunday River. It has a living room, kitchen, bedroom and bath on first level, upper level is open. Also a detached garage comes with the house for only **\$45,900**

Morse Road, Greenwood: You don't want to procrastinate on making an appointment to see this property. Set back in the woods on 6+/- acres, it offers 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, a large kitchen/dining area and a comfortable living room. It would make a great getaway spot or maybe the start of something bigger. Take the time now before you regret it. **Price is only \$109,000**



Mt. Abram Ski Village: This ski chalet is on the market just in time for the ski season. It offers a wonderful open living space with a double sided fireplace, 3 bedrooms, 1 bath with jacuzzi. You can walk to the slopes of Mt. Abram or take just a short drive to Sunday River. Act now on this reasonably priced offer. **\$109,000**



Worthley Pond, Peru: So there's snow on the ground and ice on the pond, you can still daydream of warm, sunny days on the deck of this great little camp, sipping a cool beverage, kicking back with a good book or maybe going for a dip in the pond. Make your summer plans now before it's too late. Owner financing available. **\$99,900**

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Collecting

by Larry Cox

Q. I began collecting older cookbooks several years ago and now have more than 300 in my collection. Most were published during the 1920s and '30s. Is there much interest in this field of collecting? — *Kathy, Houston*

A. Cookbooks have become a delectable source of pleasure for collectors. Those published before 1900 are in high demand and often sell in the \$100 to \$200 range. Most of the cookbooks published during the 1920s and '30s are generally more common and sell for much less. At church sales and flea markets, vintage cookbooks often can be found for \$5 or less. Pay special attention to cookbooks that were illustrated by famous artists or ones given away as advertising premiums. There has been a growing interest in cookbooks published during World War II, especially those featuring "sugarless" recipes. Recent online auction results of cookbook sales have included the "Better Homes and Gardens Cookbook," 1949, \$30; the 1924 "Fannie Farmer Cookbook," \$60; "Your Mexican Kitchen" by Natalie Scott, 1935, \$40; "The Joy of Cooking," 1944, \$70; and the "Central City Teller Opera House Cookbook," \$175. There are two major newsletters for collectors. They are Cookbook Gossip, P.O. Box 56, St. James, MO 65559; and the Cookbook Collector's

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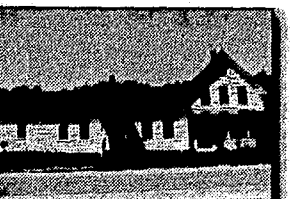
Eden Ridge Townhouse - 2 Bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, brick fireplace with raised hearth, garage, well managed complex, spectacular view of mountains and valley below, conveniently located. Just moments from village and ski resorts. Fully furnished. New Price \$97,500



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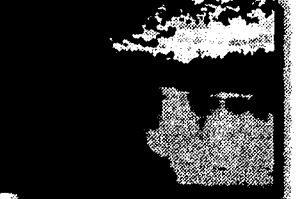
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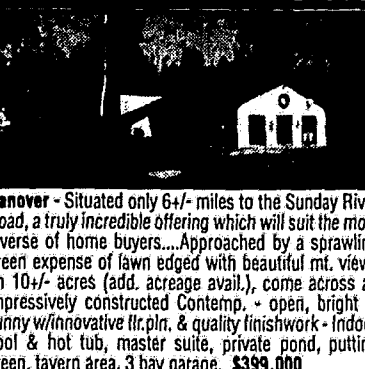


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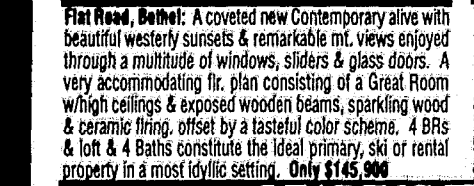


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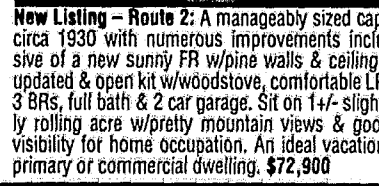
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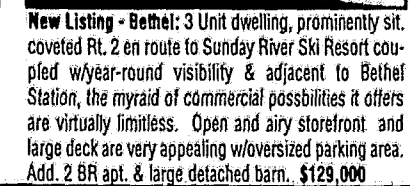
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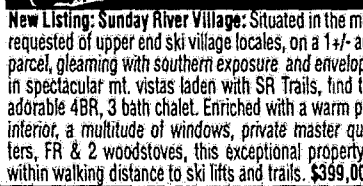
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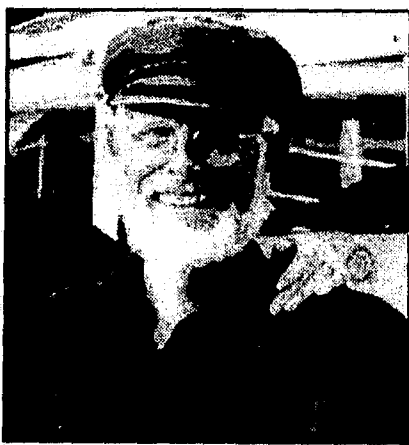
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Obituaries



FOURTIN "BUC" POWELL

Fourtin "Buc" Powell, 64, passed away at his home in Rockport on Tuesday, March 19, 2002 with his family at his side. He had had melanoma of the esophagus, yet was never a smoker.

He was born July 28, 1937 in Boston, Mass., the son of Eleanor Kingman Fourtin and Dawson Powell.

Mr. Powell and his wife, Shirley, have resided in Maine since 1972 and had many friends and relatives in the state. He was chosen "Citizen of the Month" and was proud to serve his community.

He was director of the Midcoast Regional Planning Commission in Rockland and since retirement had continued to offer consultant services to area towns. He was a member of the Rockland Comprehensive Planning Commission,

treasurer of the Rockland Historical Society and was involved in developing the expansion of the Rockland City Library. He also served as newsletter editor for Train Riders/Northeast and rejoiced at witnessing the resumption of passenger rail service between Boston and Portland.

He participated in the efforts to establish a Children's Museum and volunteered at the children's tent at Rockland's Lobster Festival for over 12 years. He spent many hours helping to paint and refurbish the Lincoln Street Arts Center as well as building the community playground.

A lifelong passion was restoring and sailing small boats, evident in his volunteering at the Apprentice ship/Atlantic Challenge as often as possible. He had many interests and many friends. He lived what he believed and gave it his all. He was a graduate of Brown University and had a master's degree in planning from the University of Rhode Island. He also obtained his captain's license for commercial vessels. Lt. Powell served a total of eight years on active and reserve duty in the U.S. Navy. At the time of his death he still had many projects and spoke of his love for family and friends, the sunrises, the special fragrance of spring — especially in Maine — the salt air, our trees, and the beauty of the earth. His dearest wish was for mankind to live in peace with one another and with the environment.

He is survived by his wife of 34 years, Shirley Secord Powell of Rockport; his sisters, Marilyn Powell Ferst of Washington, D.C., and Nancy Powell Dickerman and her family of Warwick, R.I.; a sister-in-law, Jeannie Secord Samiagio and her family of Milford.

A gathering in celebration of his life will be held March 22 at his home at 5 Keryma Drive, Rockport between the hours of 2 to 4 p.m.

MARGARET L. THORNTON

Margaret L. Thornton, 79, died Sunday, March 17, 2002 at her home on the South Rumford Road.

She was born in Wilson's Mills on July 7, 1922, the daughter of Joseph and Yula L. (Hall) Stevens. She attended Gould Academy.

She retired from Boise Cascade Paper Mill in Rumford in 1988. She was a member of Mount Zion Chapter 142, Order of Eastern Star and the Rumford Point Congregational Church.

She was married in Rumford on Sept. 20, 1941 to William E. Thornton Sr., who died in Rumford on May 25, 1976.

Survivors include her son, William Jr. of Rumford; three daughters, Patricia Blake of Bethel, Sharon Samela of Waterbury, Conn., and Margo Davis of Auburn; six brothers, Joseph of New Hampshire, Guy, Richard, Albert, Philip and Alfred all of Massachusetts; three sisters, Beverly Parent of Vermont, Phyllis Whitman of Massachusetts, and Sally Labers; 10 grandchildren, Brian and Harlan Blake and Amy Wheeler of Bethel, Joseph and Margaret Thornton of Rumford, Sara Seckington and Jennifer Samela of Connecticut, Todd Davis of Bethel, Ryan Davis of Rumford and Kate Davis of Auburn; and eight great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by two brothers, John and Bud; and two sisters, Alberta and Pauline.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, March 21, 11 a.m. at the Rumford Point Congregational Church with the Rev. Deborah Jenks officiating. Interment will be at Abbotts Mills Cemetery in the

spring. Those who desire may contribute to a charity of their choice in her memory.

NADINE W. MILLER

Nadine W. Miller, 61, of Neptune, N.J., died Tuesday, March 12, 2002, at Columbia-Presbyterian Hospital, New York City, after a brief illness.

She was born in Woodstock to Alta and the late George E. Waterhouse. She was a graduate of Woodstock High School and the Auburn Maine School of Commerce. She was employed by The Ocean Township Board of Education at Wayside School and the Ocean Grove Beach Association in New Jersey.

She was a longtime and ardent Red Sox fan and general sports enthusiast. She enjoyed knitting, sitting on the beach at Ocean Grove, movies, playing the piano and, most of all, spending time with her grandchildren.

She is survived by three children, Amy and husband Robert Donohoe of Oceanport, N.J., Adam and Susan of Little Rock, Ark., and Aaron and his fiancée Juliet Chen of Schenectady, N.Y.; two grandchildren; her mother of Norway; her sisters, Linda K. Lawton of Neptune, N.J., and Greenwood, Mary and husband Thomas Spear of West Paris, Kim and husband Walter Inman of West Paris; her brother, Alan Waterhouse Sr. and wife Pam of Norway; eight nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be at Old Hicks Cemetery, Greenwood, in the spring.

Weddings



Mr. & Mrs. Willie Gaudreau

Patricia M. Meader and Willie L. Gaudreau were married on Oct. 26, 2001 at a family-owned camp in Albany. The Rev. Norman Rust performed the wedding service.

Attendants were Billie Morse and Lisa Meader as maids of honor and Tracy Gordon as best man.

Card of Thanks

Family of Duane Winslow wish to express their appreciation for all those who sent food, cards, and those who attended the service in memory of Duane.

Special thanks to Bethel Alliance Church, Locke Mills Union Church, Rev. Bell, Jewel Clark, Richard & Joanne Wright who provided pictures. Greenleaf Funeral home for making this time of grief easier.

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